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SPECIAL TAX LAW INVALID.

Anti-Department Store Bill Declared Unconstitutional.

RULING BY SUPREME COURT

DECISION RENDERED ON AN APPEAL FROM ST. JOSEPH.

Incidentally Mr. Hugh Brady Is Out of a Political Job for the First Time in His Political Career.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

JEFFERSON CITY, Feb. 20.—The Supreme Court in banc to-day, in an opinion by Judge Robinson, declared the department store law passed by the last Legislature to be unconstitutional and void for the reason that the law is clearly class legislation, and because the act is incomplete and is not a law and does not constitute a rule of conduct, and for the further reason that the act imposes an occupation tax as a license to do business.

The law applied to St. Joseph, Kansas City and St. Louis, and to stores in those cities employing a specified number of clerks. This feature is objected to in the opinion as class legislation.

The case decided was that of the State ex rel., Wyatt against Ashbrook and other officers of the City of St. Joseph, for writ of mandamus to compel them to issue a license to conduct a department store in that city without paying the license tax required by the law. The court, in the opinion to-day, orders the writ awarded.

This decision releases John W. Thayer, President of the Emery, Bird, Thayer & Co. of Kansas City from paying a fine of $100 imposed on conviction of violating the law. His case is now before the Supreme Court.

The Missouri anti-department law has been knocked out by the State Supreme Court and Hugh Brady is out of a job.

The decision leaves Hugh Brady with a lot of stationery, for which he will have now no use and an office at the City Hall which he will now have no occasion to occupy.

Mr. Brady was appointed Department Store Commissioner under the terms of the law by Gov. Stephens. This was a solace for his not being reappointed on the Board of Election Commissioners. It was said at the time that the Governor had given Mr. Brady a "gold brick."

Mr. Brady did not seem to think that he stood a very good chance of getting the large fees which the law called for. He opened an office at the City Hall and spent a few dollars for stationery and that was all. He concluded to wait and see what the Supreme Court thought about it.

The decision of that court leaves Mr. Brady without a political job for the first time in his political life. It puts him and Julius Wurzburger in the same outer darkness.

This so-called "anti-department store" law was enacted by the last General Assembly, and there being no emergency clause, it took effect on Sept. 13, 1899. Its avowed purpose was to burden the department stores by discriminating taxation under the name of regulation. It was entitled: "An act to regulate business and trade in cities having a population of fifty thousand or over." It made a classification of goods, making some seventy classes, and these classes were further combined in groups and any merchant in a city of over fifty thousand inhabitants who employed over fifteen employes in retail business was compelled to take out a separate license for each group or class and this license was not to be less than $300 or more than $500 for each group." In the first draft of the bill in the Legislature it was attempted to make this license $100, but it was amended so as to finally leave it from $300 to $500, as fixed by the discretion of the License Commissioner. The bill was apparently drafted after the one that was introduced and came very near passing the Illinois Legislature some three or four years ago, drawn by a lawyer named Solomon of Chicago. While that bill failed of passage, an ordinance was passed in the city of Chicago, attempting to regulate the department stores out of existence, but that was declared unconstitutional a few days ago by the Illinois Supreme Court.

As the bill was first drafted it provided for the fixing of the license and its collection by the license authorities of each city. But this was amended by the Democrats in the General Assembly so that it provided for a license commissioner appointed by the Governor, and Mr. Hugh Brady was appointed in St. Louis and Mr. Farr was appointed in Kansas City.

As department stores pay taxes just as other merchants in the State, they promptly took steps to resist this legislation and organized. They were advised that it was plainly unconstitutional as being discriminating taxation on an illegal basis of classification and violative of both the State and Federal constitutions.

In Kansas City criminal proceedings were instituted against some of the merchants. In St. Louis nothing was done by the License Commissioner beyond sending out notices.

An injunction suit was filed in St. Louis but the proceeding was not brought to a final hearing because of the advance on the docket by the Supreme Court of a case brought up from St. Joseph. There, in order to make a test case, the city authorities refused to grant a merchant's license to a merchant, on the ground that he had failed to comply with the law. The department store law. He thereupon brought a mandamus proceeding, claiming that the law was unconstitutional. The mandamus was granted and the case was appealed to the Supreme Court by the city, and this was the case decided by the Supreme Court Tuesday. This was made a test case and Mr. Vineyard, the attorney for the St. Joseph merchant, was assisted by Mr. F. N. Judson of St. Louis, who represented the department stores of this city. Of course this will end all proceedings. If the law had been declared constitutional by the Supreme Court the case would have been carried to the United States Supreme Court, but this decision of our Supreme Court, declaring the law unconstitutional, must end the litigation, as there can be no appeal.

Mr. F. N. Judson, who was attorney for the St. Louis department stores and argued the case for them in the Supreme Court, said that a more palpably unconstitutional law was never enacted by the General Assembly.

"It really is reflecting on the intelligence of the members of the General Assembly to assume that they seriously thought the bill could be enforced," said he. "It is a bad sign that so many members of the Legislature yield to public clamor in passing bills that they must know are unconstitutional and which their own intelligence repudiates. One of the leading members of the General Assembly, an intelligent lawyer, told me that he had no idea that the bill could be enforced, but that the clamor was such that he could not resist it. This adds to the long list of statutes which have been declared unconstitutional by our Supreme Court in the last few years.

"But this decision ought to settle the question that no legislation which seeks to destroy property and vested rights by discriminating taxation can be enforced in this State. Our taxation system is doubtless defective and should be reformed, but discrimination in order to destroy is not reform.

"As the decision says that the application of the law only to the three cities was unconstitutional, it follows that the defect can not be remedied by another bill. It is safe to say that the General Assembly will never pass a law including the 'general stores' in the county."

A LYDDITE SHELL.

"LOYAL HEARTS."

A story in which the human heart is concerned is always interesting, for human motives, aspirations and passions are the same the world over.

This is the reason why "Brother Officers; a Story of Loyal Hearts," by William Faversham, the popular heroic actor, has met with such a warm reception.

This story will be presented, complete and without cost, to readers of the Post-Dispatch.

The first installment will be printed next Sunday, Feb. 25, and the narrative will be continued, daily and Sunday, until completed, with full illustrations.

This makes the third great piece of fiction which the Post-Dispatch has afforded its readers within the last few weeks and all within the present year. "Red Pottage," Mary Cholmondeley's great story of English life, was the first and "When Knighthood Was in Flower," which is still running, is the second.

"Brother Officers" is founded on a play of that name, in which Mr. Faversham is now starring at the Empire Theater in New York. It is a story full of dramatic and heroic situations, yet not a drop of blood is shed throughout the whole action.

Mr. Faversham is not only an actor and author, but he longs to be a soldier, and has offered his services to the Queen to fight the Boers, being a native of England.

The Post-Dispatch has secured the exclusive right to publish the absorbing story of "Brother Officers" in St. Louis and it will appear in no other newspaper.

Remember the date of the first installment, next Sunday, Feb. 25.

RAIN OR SNOW IS PROMISED

But Forecaster Hyatt Sees No Change in the Present Comfortable Temperature.

Weather Forecaster Hyatt found nothing extraordinary on his weather map Tuesday morning. There is a low over the Southwest, which he said promised rain or snow for this region Tuesday night. A high of small energy hangs over the middle Pacific Coast, flanked on the north by another low. The high is thus squeezed in between two lows and its youthful ambitions are checked effectually.

It is from the Southwest low that Dr. Hyatt expects the rain or snow. But he does not anticipate any considerable change in the temperature and says there is no cold wave in sight. He expects the low to pass before Wednesday, which he says should be clear and slightly cooler.

Tuesday opened with a 36 degree temperature at St. Louis and only one zero point in all the United States; that was at Havre, Montana, where the mercury stood just at zero.

The Weather Bureau at 10:30 o'clock Tuesday morning issued a bulletin giving warning of freezing temperature in the central and northern portion of Texas Tuesday night.

THE WEATHER INDICATIONS.

RAIN OR SNOW.

St. Louis—Rain or snow Tuesday night; probably fair and colder Wednesday.

Here and Elsewhere at 7 a. m.

St. Louis	36	Kansas City	38
New York	20	Little Rock	46
Chicago	24	New Orleans	54
Cincinnati	26	Pittsburg	12
Cleveland	8	St. Paul	12
Denver	30	Vicksburg	50
Galveston	58	Washington	20
Indianapolis	26		

KERN CO. THE VICTOR

NEW YORK CORPORATION TO LIGHT RESIDENCE DISTRICT.

ESTIMATED COST, $252,109.

Laclede Gas Light Company's Gas Will Be Used in Some Parts of the City.

The Board of Public Improvements decided Tuesday morning to let the contract for lighting the residence district of the city to the Kern Incadescent Gas Light Co. of New York.

The Kern Co.'s bid was the lowest received. It is $5.59 per 1000 lamp hours, which means $5.59 for burning 1000 lamp one hour. The board estimates the cost of illuminating the residence district under this contract at $252,109 per year.

The Lighting Committee of the board, consisting of President McMath, Sewer Commissioner Hermann and Water Commissioner Flad, reported the Kern bid favorably and the report was adopted without objection.

The ordinance under which the contract will be let requires that the company give a bond of $200,000 for the faithful performance of its contract. This bond must be furnished within five days from the letting of the bid.

By a unanimous vote the board extends the time ten days.

The other bidders for the residence district contract were the American Development Co., $7.19 per 1000 lamp hours, and the Welsbach Co., $6.85 per 1000 lamp hours.

The ordinance obliges the successful bidder to begin furnishing light not later than Sept. 1, 1900, but the service may be begun as much earlier than that as the bidder chooses.

The bid does not state what agency will be used to produce the light. The lamps must be gas mantle lamps. The company may use any agency to generate the gas. It is understood that the Kern Co. will use gas to be furnished by the Laclede Gas Light Co. in some parts of the city, and that where the gas pipes are not conveniently located naphtha or gasoline will be used to generate gas.

The boundry line between the residence district as defined by the lighting ordinances and the business district is formed by the following streets:

Broadway avenue from the river to Ninth street; Ninth street to Tyler street; Tyler street to Thirteenth street; Thirteenth street to Cass avenue; Cass avenue to Jefferson avenue; Jefferson avenue to Chouteau avenue; Chouteau avenue to Seventh street; Seventh street to Arsenal street; Arsenal street to the river. The territory south of Keokuk street is not included in this district. It belongs to Carondelet and will be lighted under the Carondelet contract.

All of the territory north, west and south of this boundary line, excepting south of Keokuk street, will be lighted by the Kern Co.

At noon the committee submitted to the board the evidence taken at the hearing of the representatives of the Kern Co.

The representative who did most of the talking was the general manager, Mr. Isaac Katzenberger of New York, and the secretary of the company, Mr. Ayrault, was also present.

At this hearing it was disclosed that the Kern Co. was organized under the laws of New Jersey, with a capital stock of $12,000,000, two-thirds common and one-third preferred.

Mr. Katzenberger stated that his company now has 24,000 lamps in operation in London, England, and is preparing to install 40,000 more. The officers of the company are Harry Keene, president; Frank Hastings, vice-president; Casimir Tag, treasurer, and Mr. Ayrault, secretary. These gentlemen are all largely interested in gas enterprises at New York, Indianapolis and Memphis, Tenn.

Mr. Katzenberger explained the construction of the lamp, which is adapted to the use of gas, gasoline or naptha. He stated that his company was prepared to give the bond of a surety company in the sum of $200,000.

The number of lamps by this contract is 11,000. The number of lamp hours each during the year is 4100, making a total lamp hours of 45,100,000.

A PANIC AT O'FALLON SCHOOL.

Three Pupils Injured During the Mad Rush to Escape.

SMALL BOY CRIED "FIRE!"

HE MISTOOK AN EXPERIMENT WITH CHARCOAL FOR DANGER.

Rare Presence of Mind Shown by Miss Shaughnessey, Who Compelled Her Scholars to Remain Seated.

Three children were injured in a panic of the pupils of the O'Fallon School at Fifteenth and O'Fallon streets Tuesday morning. They are:

James Seketer, 1319 North Sixteenth street, leg sprained by jumping from a window.

Myrtle Seketer, 1319 North Sixteenth street, ankle broken; taken to the City Hospital.

Estelle Baker, 1316 Biddle street, bruises about face and neck; treated by a physician and sent home.

The stampede of 750 little ones was the result of an over-fearful small boy's cry of "fire" at the wrong time. The catastrophe of the St. Lawrence O'Toole Parochial School fire, just around the corner, a few weeks ago is vivid in the minds of all the children in the neighborhood and it takes little to terrify them.

Miss Julia D. Kelley is principal of the O'Fallon School. The teachers are Misses Moll, Higgins, Kennedy, Frank, Lockman and Shaughnessey. An object lesson in charcoal to the scholars of Miss Shaughnessey's room was in progress when a boy from one of the other rooms passed down the hallway and looked through the half-open door at Miss Shaughnessey's pupils. The teacher was illustrating with small blocks of wood and an alcohol lamp the process of manufacturing charcoal. The boy detected the strong odor of burning wood and saw the flames of the spirit lamp.

He didn't wait to learn more. The burning of St. Lawrence O'Toole's School arose before his eyes, and in childish terror he screamed that the building was on fire. He was in the hallway on the second floor.

As he gave the alarm of fire, he dashed down the stair steps, and running to the front door, shrieked at the top of his little voice that the building was in flames.

In a second the cry was taken up by the youngsters in the rooms on the first floor. They dashed for the hallway, completely blocking it, and choking the wide doors which open upon stone steps leading to the school yard. The yelling and pushing and shoving on the first floor was bad enough, but it was worse when the children on the second and third floors came down the stairs like so many frightened sheep, adding their shrill piping to the indescribable din.

In the meantime, Miss Shaughnessy, who saw at once the cause of stampede, ordered her doors closed. She displayed not only presence of mind, but coolness and firmness. She told the children that the others were simply running away from the harmless apparatus which they beheld upon her desk. She treated it as a joke that one tiny spirit lamp and a block or two of wood from the lumber yard next door, articles which were being used to teach them their day's lesson, should cause such a great, foolish commotion.

The scholars saw the fun as she wisely painted it, and while their terror-stricken playmates were in danger of being trampled to death, they kept their seats and laughed at the bare idea of danger.

It is a great wonder that the list of casualties is not larger than one of three. From the youngest to the oldest, all were so frightened they did not know which way to turn. Their wild rush for the front door was mechanical. When all had reached the yard, fortunately with only slight injuries to be recorded, Miss Shaughnessy dismissed her pupils and marched them downstairs in regular order.

The first batch of screaming children had scarcely reached the open when Policemen Ferry, Glynn and Roach came running up. They had heard the shrieks two and three blocks away and also remembering St. Lawrence O'Toole's, they sped to the O'Fallon School in all haste. By stern orders, with no attempt at reasoning with the pitiable little ones, they herded all into a corner of the yard and searched for any injured ones. The little Baker girl was found first. Her face and neck were badly scratched and a small stream of blood trickled from one of her ears. Policeman Ferry took charge of her and placed her in an ambulance, which had arrived from the City Dispensary in response to a precautionary call by the police, and had her driven to the office of Drs. J. Ladowski and Blair and Cass avenues. Dr. Ladowski found that the child was suffering more from fright than pain. The scratches were received in the general scramble and the bleeding of the ear he thought resulted from a slight contusion. He was unable to ascertain indications of internal injuries and sent the child to her home, not far distant.

Little Miss Seketer jumped from a window on the first floor to the paved school yard, a drop of probably 10 feet. He twisted his ankle in alighting and had to be carried home, where his family called a surgeon.

Myrtle Seketer, a sister of James Seketer, was pushed off the stair steps between the first and second floors. She, with others, was thrown against the banisters. The wood work gave way and half a dozen girls were thrown about six feet. Myrtle Seketer's ankle was fractured, though the injury was not discovered until the ambulance driver was about to go away and report that his services were not needed. She was transferred directly to the City Hospital.

Since the burning of St. Lawrence O'Toole's School many of that institution's former pupils have been attending the O'Fallon School. Above all other children it is expected that they would be easily thrown into a panic.

It was 11 o'clock before the little folks could be corralled and brought back to their respective rooms. Then they were found in such a highly nervous state that school was dismissed for the day.

COLENSO NOW IN BULLER'S POSSESSION.

Boers Retire Across the Tugela After a Short Engagement.

THEY MAY BE RETREATING.

Part of Buller's Forces Are Now Crossing to the North Side of the River at Colenso.

ROBERTS FOLLOWING CRONJE.

SENDS A DISPATCH FROM A POINT 30 MILES EAST OF JACOBSDAL.

So Far Cronje Has Avoided a General Battle and Is Supposed to Be Moving to a New Position North of Bloemfontein.

LONDON, Feb. 20, 5:22 p. m.—News has been received here that Gen. Hart has occupied Colenso after a slight engagement. Gen. Hart commands a brigade in Buller's army. Colenso is on the Tugela River, at the railway crossing, and is the scene of Gen. Buller's first attempt and failure to cross the river, Dec. 15. It is 15 miles south of Ladysmith.

The occupation of Colenso by the British indicates a weakening of the Boer defense, on the Tugela, and leads to the conclusion that Joubert has sent part of his force by rail into the Free State to join Cronje.

BLOWS FARM, Tuesday, Feb. 20, 4:10 p. m.—The Fusilier Brigade yesterday took Hlangwana Hill, the right of the enemy's position, and commanding Colenso, the rest of the force advancing towards the Tugela.

This morning the enemy had withdrawn all the troops north of the Tugela and had practically evacuated Colenso.

To-day Gen. Hart occupied Colenso, after a very slight resistence by a weak rear guard, and we hold the line of the Tugela on the south side from Colenso to Eagles Nest.

The enemy seem to be in full retreat and apparently are only holding the position they occupy across the Colenso-Ladysmith Railway, where it is close to the angle of the Tugela, with a weak rear guard.

Hart's advance guard is crossing at Colenso.

Our casualties yesterday and to-day have, I hope, been few. BULLER.

LONDON, Feb. 20, 2:56 p. m.—The War Office has issued a dispatch from Lord Roberts, the main importance of which is the fact that it is dated Paardeberg, 7:05 p. m., Monday. Paardeberg is 30 miles east of Jacobsdal, near Klip Drift, on the Modder River. The dispatch announces that the railroad to Kimberley is open and that Gen. Methuen will proceed there with reenforcements forthwith and that large supplies will be forwarded to the town.

In spite of the Queen's announcement to the Fourth Battalion of the Lincolnshire Militia this morning, prior to her departure from Osborne House to Windsor, that good news had been received from the seat of war, the war officials solemnly averred that they had received no important news. Unofficially it is rumored that Gen. Kitchener has engaged Cronje. The confident hope that Gen. Cronje has been cut off from Bloemfontein continues to prevail in London.

The first train to Kimberley left Cape Town last night, and the neighborhood of the famous siege seems thoroughly cleared of Boers.

The news from the front is so fragmentary that it is difficult to summarize the situation. Cronje seems to have divided his forces, one part going east, along the line of the Modder River, toward the hilly country north of Bloemfontein, while another division moved eastward in the valley of the Riet. These lines of retreat afford the best positions for defense. Cronje's southern division seems to have formed a junction with Gen. Delarey's forces, which have moved up from the south side of the Orange River.

So far as known the British captured but one Boer cannon, a 12-pounder, about Kimberley, and while they captured some wagons and camp equipage, they lost 20 wagons and 600 tons of stores, that was on the way to Kimberley.

Press dispatches do not indicate clearly the direction taken by the larger body of

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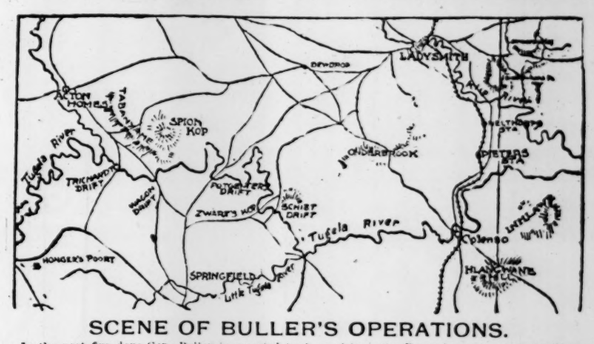

SCENE OF BULLER'S OPERATIONS.

In the past five days Gen. Buller is reported to have driven the Boers from the three positions (marked on the map) which they held south of the Tugela—Hlangwana, Inhlawe and Colenso.

Part of the British army is crossing the river today at Colenso, 15 miles directly south of Ladysmith. The Boers have been occupying several strongly fortified positions between Ladysmith and Colenso.

THE EYES OF GEN. ROBERTS' ARMY.

(From Black and White.)

Maj. Rimington's Rough Riders, Colonial Horsemen, who serve as scouts for the British Army, now in pursuit of Cronje.

QUEEN VICTORIA CALLS ON THE OLD SOLDIERS OF THE EMPIRE.

Appeals to Her Veterans to Enroll Themselves as a Royal Reserve for Home Defense.

LONDON, Feb. 20.—The Queen, through her private secretary, Sir Arthur John Bigge, has sent the following letter to the Commander-in-Chief of the forces, Field Marshal Lord Wolseley:

"Osborne, Feb. 17.—My Dear Lord Wolseley: As so large a proportion of the army is now in South Africa, the Queen fully realizes that necessary measures must be adopted for home defense. Her Majesty is advised that it would be possible to devise for a year an efficient force from her soldiers who have already served as officers, non-commissioned officers or privates, and confident in their devotion to the country and loyalty to her throne, the Queen appeals to them to serve her once more in place of those, who, for the time, side by side with the peoples of her colonies, are nobly resisting the invasion of her South African possessions. Her Majesty has signified her pleasure that these battalions shall be designated the Royal Reserve Battalions of her army.

"ARTHUR BIGGE."

TREACHEROUS SOUTH AFRICAN RIVERS.

The Modder and Riet and Their Tributaries Along Which the British Army Is Moving Against the Boers.

All South African rivers are alike in respect to deep beds, abrupt banks and the suddenness with which they become raging torrents after one of the thunderstorms that occur almost daily at this season of the year.

The Modder and the Riet rise in foothills of the Drakensburg Mountains on the eastern border of the Free State and their general course is West to the point of confluence 24 miles South of Kimberley, where Cronje so long held Methuen's army in check.

These rivers at ordinary stages of water are sluggish, shallow streams, with occasional eddies, falls and freshets. In periods of drought, such as often occur in the depth of winter, the water practically dries up altogether, save perhaps in isolated pools and depressions in the river bed. At such time it is quite easy to walk across almost dryshod.

In summer time, however, say from October until March, the conditions are very different indeed.

In South Africa the summer thunderstorms are so frequent as to be almost reliable in their regularity. Near every afternoon between 3 and 5 o'clock during the height of summer, December and January, a thunderstorm may confidently be expected.

The really bad thunderstorms are fearfully terrifying in their tropical uproar of celestial artillery and downpour of copious rain. The storm always comes up against the wind and at a great rate of speed, so that there is only a very short space of time in which to seek cover, if cover is available. Then the sky becomes inky black, the thunder rolls, the lightning crackles like titanic thorns under a pot, and the rain descends in what seems almost a continuous sheet. The storm usually follows the course of the mountain ranges, especially if there is an iron stone outcrop, which appears to act as a sort of lightning conductor, for the electric fluid strikes frequently in the outcrop, and sometimes splits up the rock as though it had been blasted with dynamite.

At such times rivers are absolutely impassible, even at the so-called "drifts" or fords. But the floods subside almost as quickly as they rise, and it must be an exceptionally severe storm which delays the traffic across the stream for more than six or eight hours. Naturally, when an unusually heavy storm succeeds another on two consecutive days the river may not subside until the third day.

The beds of the Modder and Riet are in most places 30 to 50 feet below the surface of the valley cut out like canyons, so swift is the flood following a storm.

The pontooning of a river of that sort is no easy matter, as special precautions have to be taken to guard against the sudden fresheet of a rush of water caused by these thunderstorms.

There are not many trees on the banks. Here and there a stunted willow, and in the neighborhood of the isolated farms, a few eucalyptus or gum trees, and maybe a wattle or two; otherwise the banks are covered with a low shrub or bush, with perhaps a few clumps of aloe, and the inevitable sugar bush or gulkeebosch.

In the Kopje country on the upper Modder and Riet, great boulders are strewn about as though distributed by the hands of playful giants. They are not found, however, close to the river, and the clay banks shelve down to the sandy bed which looks invitingly cool in the hot glare of the noonday summer sun.

WORLD'S FAIR BILL PRESENTED.

Before the House With Accompanying Resolution.

GOING ALONG SMOOTHLY.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE WILL BE APPOINTED FOR IT.

Within a Few Weeks the Measure Will Be Put Upon Its Final Passage.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—The St. Louis World's Fair bill is formally before the House of Representatives. It was introduced in the House today by Representative Joy. Mr. Joy at the same time presented this resolution:

"Resolved, That the Speaker be and hereby is authorized to appoint a special committee to be composed of nine members, to which committee shall be referred a bill this day introduced entitled 'A bill,' etc.

"The resolution was promptly referred to the Committee on Rules. This committee is composed of Speaker Henderson, Representative Payne of New York, Representative Dalzell of Pennsylvania, Representative Richardson of Tennessee and Representative Bailey of Texas, three Republicans and two Democrats. The committee will consider the resolution and report it to the House with the recommendation that it be adopted. As the measure is unanimous favor of the proposition, very little time will be required for its consideration.

As soon as it is adopted by the House, Speaker Henderson will name the nine members of the committee and the bill will then be referred to it. This will complete the legislative machinery.

The committee can then name a time for the hearings and Gov. Francis and his associates can return to present the special committee the arguments for an early passage of the bill and the prompt appropriation by Congress of the funds asked for in the bill. Step by step the Louisiana Purchase Executive Committee has paved the way for prompt legislative action. It should not now require many weeks before the measure may be put upon its final passage in the House. Under the energetic leadership of Senator Cockrell and Senator Vest, the Senate has been made fully qualified with the plans of the fair promoters and favorable action in the House will certainly be followed by the passage of the House bill.

DEMOCRATS FIRST MEET ALONE

Republicans Not Present at the Early Morning Session of the Kentucky Senate.

FRANKFORT, Ky., Feb. 20.—The Democratic Senate met at 10:30, with President Pro Tem Carter presiding. None of the Republicans were in their seats and Lieut.-Gov. Marshall, who had adjourned with the Republican Senate yesterday, was not present.

Speaker Trimble at the session of the House this morning announced that there would be a joint session of the General Assembly this afternoon at 3 o'clock to consider the results from the contests on the Governor and Lieutenant-Governor's contest and the former action in reference thereto.

The State Democratic Contest Board is expected to render a decision by Saturday seating the Democratic contestants for minor State offices. The Dome table officers Istamis and Allen have asked and will make a formal demand for possession of the offices. This will be refused by the Republican incumbents, and in this case similar to those pending in the contest for the governorship will lie that the Democrats claim the immediate effect of this will be to tie up security bonds held by the State Government, probably officers of the contests as the case is, as it is certainly regarded as certain that banks, county officers and probably everybody else who has dealt with the State with the State will refuse to recognize either of the State officers till the title to the offices is judicially settled.

In the Fifth Circuit Court, in session in Louisville yesterday, Judge Evans overruled the demurrers to the indictments of the 4 Democrats who were arrested for alleged interference with the Last State election. The ground being a violation of the fourth amendment, in the intimidation of negro voters. He directed a lengthy opinion holding that the Federal Court had jurisdiction in the case of the opinion requiring an hour. The cases were assigned for trial March 12.

The Courtesy Appeals resumed its sitting in Frankfort yesterday.

ONE SUSPECT IS RELEASED.

Others Who May Have Had Hand in Goebel's Murder Still in Jail.

FRANKFORT, Ky., Feb. 20.—J. L. Sexton, the Sheriff of Whitley County, who was recently arrested on a charge of complicity in the Goebel assassination, has been admitted to bail by agreement between attorneys for the prosecution and defense.

Harland Whitaker, also charged with complicity in the assassination, has been returned from Louisville and turned over to the local authorities. Lee Jones, another suspect, is now in jail here.

HAD FEAR OF A LYNCHING.

Men Suspected of Murder of Officers Pike Not Taken to Louisiana.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

HANNIBAL, Mo., Feb. 20.—The Pike County officers started from here last evening with Edward Weaver and W. H. Webster, alias Dick Logan, for Louisiana, but just as they boarded the train at Ivanhoe, reached here, stating that a mob of men collected at Louisiana awaiting the arrival of the train with the prisoners. The officers disembarked and brought the prisoners back to the city jail and had them placed in cells.

It is said the feeling is so bitter and intense in Pike County over the murder of Policeman Paw at Louisiana that if the suspects are taken back to that county they will be lynched. The circumstantial evidence against Weaver and Webster is very strong. They will probably be taken to the Palmyra jail for safe keeping until the grand jury shall have investigated their case.

MRS. TATE WILL NOT SPEAK.

City Hospital Physicians Diagnose Her Case as Melancholia.

Mrs. Emma Tate, who leaped into the Mississippi River Sunday with her two children, is being treated at the City Hospital for acute melancholia. She maintains absolute silence about her actions Sunday and many times will not answer physicians and nurses' inquiries about her health.

Tate took the children from the City Hospital Monday afternoon. The physicians say with careful nursing the threatened attack of pneumonia can be warded off.

GUILTY OF MURDER.

Verdict of the Jury in the Trial of Riley Powell.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

CAIRO, Ill., Feb. 20.—The jury in the case of Riley Powell, who killed Elmo Pile of Charleston, Mo., in this city last October, returned a verdict of guilty and fixed the death penalty.

LOOKING INTO IDAHO ABUSES.

House Committee Investigates the Wardner Situation.

GEN. MERRIAM IS A WITNESS.

CHARGE THAT WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS WAS SUSPENDED.

Witnesses Tell of the Extraordinary Procedure by Which Military Rule and Brutality Were Inflicted on the State.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—The hearing of witnesses in the investigation of alleged improper action by the United States military authorities at Wardner, Idaho, began today before the House Committee on Military Affairs. The room was crowded and among those present were Brigadier-General Merriam and Gov. Steunenberg of Idaho. Before beginning the hearing the committee adopted a form of procedure offered by Mr. Hay of Virginia, that the witnesses for the complainants be first heard with opportunities for response from the other side.

The first witness, A. A. Frazer, a lawyer of Shoshone County, where the trouble occurred, testified that the civil courts were doing business at the time when martial law is said to have been in operation. Representative Lentz, who conducted the inquiry, explained that this was a ground work for showing the need of martial law.

Fred C. Robertson, a lawyer of Spokane, told of visits to the scene of the riots, including what he termed the "Bull Pen," and gave a detailed description of the mines where the trouble occurred. He explained the friction growing out of the employment of non-union miners by the Bunker Hill mine, the gathering of 1000 miners April 29 and the destruction caused by the dynamiting of the Bunker Hill plant. Gov. Steunenberg proclaimed that a state of insurrection existed and several men were arrested and put into the "Bull Pen." Mr. Robertson applied for writs of habeas corpus for the arrested men, but the courts held that they would not interfere with the action of the Governor, who, in effect, the witness said, was a suspension of the writ of habeas corpus.

LOVED HER FINGER ON AGAIN

Something Entirely New in the Practice of Surgery; but Doctors Are Skeptical.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

CHICAGO, Feb. 20.—Mrs. S. V. Hughes-Graham of Ravenswood is trying to make the public and the doctors believe that she grew part of a new finger, which had been accidentally cut off, but the doctors are skeptical, even though it is vouched for by Mrs. Nancy M. Kay Gordon, head of the Hermitic Brotherhood in Chicago.

"Last April," said Mrs. Gordon, "I had a letter from Mrs. Graham's little boy, saying that his mother had cut one of her fingers off and asking me to give her medical treatment for it. A few days after I saw Mrs. Graham herself. Mr. Graham herself came in. The left forefinger was cut off cut-a-cornered, taking away the whole finger nail and a piece of the bone. It happened while she was cutting kindling wood. She fainted at the time. When she regained consciousness the suggestion came to her, like a whisper, 'Pick your finger up and put it on again—pick your finger up and put it on again.'

"She found the end of the finger and stuck it on the stump. 'Darger, I love you, and I can't do without you. You are mine and I can't do without you,' she repeated over and over.

"She at once began to feel the tenderest affection and sense of proprietorship for the injured finger. She wrapped it up as well as she could and went to her doctor.

"'Oh, throw that old piece of finger in the waste basket,' commanded the doctor. 'Come, Nan, don't make it grow on again. You'll simply have to go through life without the end of that forefinger.'

"But Mrs. Graham pleaded with him to try what could be done and he finally consented to wrap it up for her, with the finger end sticking out.

"Now when she talked it over with me a few days after," said Mrs. Gordon, "the old finger end was still bandaged on. What we both hoped for was that the two pieces would grow together again. To our surprise the old piece slaughed off and the tip of the finger began to grow. It is still growing and will, I have no doubt, be entirely perfect in a short time. My theory is that she literally loved that finger on again."

MOLINEUXS GO TO SING SING

Mother and Wife Live in a House Directly Opposite Cell of the Condemned Man.

SING SING, N. Y., Feb. 20.—The parents and the young wife of Roland B. Molineux are now living with friends in a house directly opposite the death cell in the penitentiary in which he is confined. The condemned man's wife and mother were yesterday admitted to see him, but they were separated by two screens with a guard between. The women seem encouraged over the prospect of a new trial, and Molineux, the head keeper says, is the most cheerful man in the prison. His main grievance is that he is denied cigarettes, but he is allowed to smoke a corn pipe. Molineux and Kennedy, who is under sentence of death for the murder of Dolly Reynolds, have become great friends and while away the time by singing and telling stories. Molineux is very popular with the keepers.

SIGNS OF A DIVISION.

New Female Suffrage Association May Be Formed.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—The formation of a new suffrage association is regarded as inevitable. The division of the national organization came about at the recent convention in Washington which elected Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt, President, and defeated Mrs. Lillie Devereux Blake.

In her own words Mrs. Blake withdrew because she felt her continued candidacy would have divided many States." This by no means lessened the bitterness of the opposing parties and the Blake faction is prepared to confront the supporters of Mrs. Catt with facts which they believe will be convincing proof of a lack of discretion in the disbursement of funds of an organization which has never been wholly free from the sharp sting of poverty. Some even call it extravagance.

According to the published reports the entire revenue for the year were $14,020. The expenses, $6481, is charged against the Organization Committee, of which Mrs. Catt is chairman. The disgruntled say the money is not well spent, for although Mrs. Catt visited sixteen States, forming auxiliaries, she confessed to great difficulty in making her work endure. An auxiliary formed one year would not be in existence the next. The debt of the association is also becoming troublesome.

The Blake followers make this showing their strong argument for a change of policy. A yearly campaign at the national capital, a permanent committee to spend the season in the congressional set and to halt, no only for suffrage, but against legislation inimical to women—these are the truth of the new faith.

JUDICIAL COMMITTEE MET

Democrats Unable to Agree on the Time of Holding a Convention and Adjourned to March 19.

The Judicial Democratic Committee for the Eastern Appellate District of Missouri met at the Southern Hotel at noon Tuesday, indulged in an animated debate for more than an hour and then adjourned to Monday, March 19, at St. Louis. The time and place of holding the Judicial Convention were not considered.

The trouble, which had been rather predetermined, and was developed actively the moment the doors were closed upon the executive session, was the interest of the several candidates for nomination.

One faction demanded a late convention. The other faction wanted it held early. The first faction declared itself for Judge Biggs. The opposition represented, presumably, all the other candidates, Judge John M. Wood and Judge Daniel Dillon of St. Louis and Judge Goode of Springfield.

The result was a disagreement which led to an adjournment for a month.

The committee had an unusual number of proxies—really of 11 committeemen who are always prominent in Democratic conventions. The following answered to the roll call:

First District—Virgil Rule of St. Louis, proxy for Edward Hirsch of Hannibal.

Second District—J. H. Whitecotton of Rolla, proxy for John C. Ferrell of Mountain Grove.

Seventh District—J. T. White of Springfield.

Eighth District—Harry O. Bland of Chillicothe, proxy for James T. Bradshaw of Lexington, who had removed from the district.

Ninth District—W. W. Fry of Mexico.

Tenth District—James C. Jones of St. Louis, proxy for Ira C. Terry, removed from the State.

Eleventh District—Thomas E. Barrett, St. Louis.

Twelfth District—C. L. Hobbizelle, St. Louis.

Thirteenth District—William S. Anthony, Springfield.

Fourteenth District—Joseph J. Russell, Charleston.

Fifteenth District—O. L. Travers, Neosho.

FOUGHT FOR LOUIS NAPOLEON

George Schneider, a German-Frenchman, Very Ill With Pneumonia at the City Hospital.

George Schneider, whose proudest boast is that he fought for Louis Napoleon, is in the City Hospital, very ill with pneumonia. His home is at 700 South Second street.

Schneider was born 74 years ago in Alsace-Lorraine and his first knowledge of war came on his strip of territory that set back and forth between the Germans and its parents on his farmer's farm. The elder Schneider was German, but his wife was French, and long association with France made the son a lover of the fatherland. When the two great nations decided to go to war for possession of Alsace-Lorraine the Schneiders joined forces with the French, the father shouldered a musket and the boy beat a drum.

Both served through the war and participated in the famous conflict of Sedan. Schneider says he was carrying a gun, the command was captured and when paroled when the war ended, the prisoners were marched past these grand German captains Bismarck and Von Moltke. It was the only time Schneider saw the victorious commanders.

Twenty-seven years ago he came to America and he says he has livelihood by working as a farm hand during the summer and labored in winter until two years ago, when he lost an arm by being caught in a corn-shelling machine.

Though so long in the United States he speaks with a broad accent that is both French and German, rendering his speech difficult to understand.

HEAVILY FINED FOR IDLING

Double Quartette of Alleged Confidence Men Rounded Up by Detectives Before Judge Sidener.

A double quartette of alleged confidence men were presented in the First District Police Court Tuesday morning by Chief Desmond's detectives.

All were charged with idling. The detectives frankly admitted on the witness stand that they could not place specific cases of larceny against them. The detectives swore that they had known the defendants for times ranging from a few days to months to more than not many years. They were not known to have any employment. They made their headquarters around a saloon which was closed by the police as a rendezvous of thieves.

Judge George G. Sidener paused each man on the stand. He questioned each adroitly. The Judge made no decision but said that the charge against them ought to be sustained. Most of the defendants live on Olive street, between Eighteenth street and Jefferson avenue. One had any employment, some of them said they loaded the dice and run games and privileges.

Robberies have occurred recently at Twenty-first and Market streets and at Twenty-third and Pine streets. The robberies were committed by could not men but the parts could not be identified. Judge Sidener said he did not care about those cases, of course, they know nothing about either case.

Mike Holden, Chester McCormick and Charles Rogers, Edward F. M. Goodman, Frederick Leonard, Joseph Douglas, Henry Harris and Harry Ray, alias "Dew Sam," were each fined $50. Leonard and "Dew Sam" were tried on two charges and their fines aggregated $100 each.

SHE ASKS FOR MAINTENANCE

Mrs. Harriett Steele Petitions the Circuit Court for $150 a Month From Her Husband.

Mrs. Harriett L. Steele filed a petition in the Circuit Court Tuesday, asking that she be awarded maintenance of $150 a month from William H. Steele, her husband.

She alleges that she married the defendant April 19, 1893, and lived with him as his wife until Oct. 25, 1898, when he left her without good cause. She claims he is worth about $100,000 and has an annual income of $6000.

The defendant is a member of the lumber firm of Steele & Hilliard on North Broadway. He was sued for a divorce by his wife in Jan. Petition court recently, but the proceeding failed.

SURPRISED AT PROF. HYSLOP.

His Indorsement of Spiritualism Displeases Columbia's Faculty.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—It is the opinion of many that Prof. James H. Hyslop has endangered his position as a member of the faculty of Columbia University by his recent utterances on the subject of spiritualism, printed in the Post-Dispatch. His indorsement of Mrs. Piper, the medium, has created considerable adverse criticism at the university.

His public advocacy of spiritualism was a surprise, not only to the faculty of Columbia, but to his friends as well.

Prof. Nicholas Murray Butler, dean of the faculty, refused to say whether Prof. Hyslop had injured his standing as professor of logics, ethics and psychology. Prof. Butler's words seemed to indicate that he had something to conceal. He said: "There is no attitude."

President Low refused to talk for publication.

The silence on the subject of Prof. Hyslop's removal is generally regarded as ominous for him. If any action is taken it will hardly condone the professor's spiritualistic utterances.

Dr. Hyslop has occupied the chair of logics, ethics and psychology at Columbia since 1889. Prior to that time he had been a teacher in the public schools, a student at Leipsic.

BOY PLAYED AT SUICIDE.

Willie Jones' Neck Was Broken as He Was Burlesquing a Hanging.

Willie Jones, 11 years old, the adopted son of Jacobson Sappington of Affton, St. Louis County, accidentally broke his neck Monday afternoon while playing at suicide.

Mr. Sappington and the boy were engaged in stretching a clothes line across the yard, and the rope had been securely fastened to trees. The boy was in a playful mood, and placing a chair under the rope he turned up his coat collar and commanded Mr. Sappington to watch him. He grabbed the rope, made a loop which he drew around his neck and at that moment the chair toppled over, leaving the boy swinging in midair. The jerk that followed was so sudden that his neck was broken in an instant and the boy was dead before Mr. Sappington could secure his release.

Nothing is known of the boy's parents. He was taken from the House of Refuge in St. Louis about five years ago by Mr. Sappington.

ILLINOIS FARMER'S SUICIDE

Used His Foot to Work the Trigger of the Gun Pointed at His Breast.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

EDWARDSVILLE, Ill., Feb. 20.—Frank Meschack, a farmer, aged about 50, and living with his mother on a farm south of town, committed suicide this morning. Yesterday morning he went to a neighbor's house to borrow a shot gun, saying he wanted to go hunting. He kept the gun over night and after breakfast this morning, went to the kitchen where he had put it, placed the muzzle to his breast and released the trigger with his foot. He expired almost instantly. Meschack had attempted suicide three weeks ago, and last week told several companions he was tired of life and would end it. Coroner H. J. Bailey will hold an inquest this afternoon.

FOUND DYING IN HIS STORE.

Centralia Merchant Attacked by a Thief and Fatally Wounded.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

CENTRALIA, Ill., Feb. 20.—S. R. Colbern, a merchant, was found dying in his store at 9 o'clock this morning from wounds inflicted with a hatchet by some unknown person whose object was robbery. His clothing had been rifled and everything of value except his watch had been taken. Mr. Colbern is a veteran of the Civil War and crippled from paralysis. He has prospered and was supposed to carry considerable money. His family consists of his mother, wife and two adopted children.

A youth of this city suspected of the crime cannot be found.

A SICK BOY WAS FLOGGED.

Coroner Investigating the Death of an Illinois Farmer's Son.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

PANA, Ill., Feb. 20.—A mystery surrounds the death of Joseph Zichy, 19 years old, son of Henry Zichy, who died Sunday morning. It was reported that the youth died as a result of consumption. This morning the Coroner appeared and is now holding an inquest over the remains. It is claimed that the attending physician received a call from the Zichy home, and that in the presence of the physician the father administered a severe flogging to the dying boy. The charges have caused intense excitement in the city.

THIRTY PRISONERS LEAVE.

One of Charles A. Brant's Murderers of the Number.

Thirty-three prisoners were taken to the Jefferson City Penitentiary Tuesday morning from the St. Louis Jail. They were prisoners who had been convicted in the St. Louis Criminal Courts.

Among the convicts were John O'Connor, who goes up for 15 years on his plea of guilty for the murder of Charles A. Brant; others convicted for murder were John Woods, 10 years; Horace Bently, 10 years; Silas Lee-wright, 10 years.

Others were: Robert Dallas Bayer, 8 years; John Jackson, 7 years; Joseph Weisman, 10 years; Thomas Connors, 3 years; Tony Hancard, 2 years; Harry Malin, 2 years; Ed L. Frank, 5 years; Harry Easton, 4 years.

Assault to rob—George Summers, 3 years; James Foster, 2 years; John Cain, 3 years; Albert Sweet, 3 years.

Burglary—Charles Williams, 3 years; George Lewis, 2 years; Frank Brady-wein, 3 years; Frank Martin, 2 years; Walter Stanley, 2 years.

Grand larceny—James Taylor, 3 years; Herschel Parks, 3 years; Harry Taylor, Albert Schwartz, 2 years; Thomas Moran, 2 years.

Assault to kill—John O'Shea, 2 years; Lee Wertz, 2 years; Adolph Kotal, 2 years.

ST. LOUISAN'S DESPERATE ACT.

Ernest Dellitt Tried to Kill Himself at San Diego, Cal.

Ernest Dellitt of St. Louis attempted to commit suicide at the Tremont House in San Diego, Cal. Though the attempt was made last Saturday afternoon he was not found until Sunday night. He is recovering from the effects of his wounds.

On a table was a note which told who he was and gave as the reason for his effort to kill himself the fact that he was out of money and unable to obtain work. Dellitt is a cabinet maker. He formerly lived at 4001 Park avenue. His wife was with him for awhile in California, but returned here recently. The weapon used by Dellitt was a razor. He tried to sever his jugular vein, but failed.

SENATORS BY DIRECT VOTE.

One of the Planks of the Next Democratic Platform.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—Election of United States Senators by direct vote of the people by constitutional amendment will be one of the planks in the platform of the Democratic party," according to Chairman Jones of the Democratic National Committee. "I have no doubt that the election contests and the commentaries of the present system of electing Senators which have recently been offered have created the people to demand a change in the method," Senator Jones said. "I am quite confident that the Democratic platform will carry such a resolution. The constitution prescribes the methods by which this change can be obtained."

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FILIPINOS ARE HEREAFTER TO BE TREATED AS BANDITS.

FIRST COURT-MARTIAL CALLED.

The Men Who Killed a Corporal in an Attack Are Charged With Being Guerillas.

MANILA, Feb. 20.—5:55 p. m.—A military commission meets at Calamba to-morrow to try a Filipino member of an alleged guerilla band which attacked a squad of Americans Feb. 2, killing a corporal. The charges are murder and assault with intent to kill. The case is important as foreshadowing the policy of treating Filipinos as bandits. It is claimed that one reason which has hitherto deterred the American authorities from adopting this policy is that the Filipinos have more than 50 American prisoners and much retaliate, although few of the prisoners were captured while guerillas.

COLENSO NOW IN BULLER'S POSSESSION.

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the enemy in retreat, but as Lord Roberts is on the Modder River, it is probable that Cronje, with the larger wing of his army, is on that route.

There is apparently a considerable Dutch force at Rolleyfontein on the Riet River above Dekits Drift, and it can readily be strengthened from Coesberg by way of Fauresmith.

The Westminster Gazette's military critic says he believes the Boers have started northward in Natal and will raise the siege of Ladysmith and reinforce Gen. Cronje, but this must be regarded as rather optimistic, at any rate until Gen. Buller has developed the Boers' second line of defense, which on every attempt to reach Ladysmith, has proved impregnable.

A dispatch from Pietermaritzburg, dated Monday, Feb. 19, says all is quiet in Zululand and the Boers' main bodies are reported to be retiring upon Dundee and Helpmaker, leaving small forces and two pieces of artillery at each magistracy.

According to a special dispatch from Tarkastad a refugee who has arrived there says the Boers are not strong at Stormberg, but that at Burchersdorp they have only a small town guard.

GLAD SIGHT TO BESIEGED

Incidents of the Arrival of Gen. French's Column to Relieve Kimberley.

MODDER RIVER, Monday, Feb. 19.—Although the rapid march of Gen. French's division was marked by a number of combats the actual entry into Kimberley was unopposed. While the British were still 20 miles off the Signal Corps intercepted a heliograph message from the beleaguered garrison to Modder River, saying:

"The Boers are shelling the town."

The advancing column replied:

"This is Gen. French coming to the relief of Kimberley."

The garrison was incredulous and thought the message was a deception and flashed back the query:

"What regiment are you?"

The reply satisfied the defenders of Kimberley that the anxiously awaited succor was at hand. A few hours later Gen. French, at the head of a column, made a triumphant entry into the place, the people surrounding the troops and intermingling with them, cheering wildly, grasping the soldiers' hands, waving flags, hats and handkerchiefs and exhibiting in a hundred ways the intensity of their joy.

The inhabitants had been on short rations for some time, eating horseflesh and living in burrows under heaps of mine refuse. Diminishing rations were served out daily at 11 o'clock in the market square under the shell fire of the enemy, whose guns opened on the square whenever the inhabitants assembled. No horse food was left.

Throughout the siege Cecil Rhodes provided the natives with work and food and thus kept them quiet.

The line of wagons bearing provisions for the relief of the column and the town, slowly winding its way across the plain in the direction of Kimberley, was the gladdest sight which greeted the eyes of the besieged for four months.

Gen. French's march was so rapid and the heat so intense that many of his horses died of exhaustion.

At the crossing of the Modder River the Boers lodged having their guns, oxen, wagons and large quantities of ammunition in the hands of the British. Moving northward the Boers again attempted to stem the advance, but Gen. French turned their flank and reached his goal with insignificant loss—seven men killed and 25 wounded during three days, from Wednesday, Feb. 14, to Feb. 16. After a night's rest at Kimberley, Gen. French's column pursued the Boers to Bronkrik, surrounded the kopjes on which they were posted and shelled them till nightfall, when the Boers fled, leaving many dead.

Gen. Cronje left a gun, his tents, food and clothes at Magersfontein.

NO BOERS ABOUT KIMBERLEY

One Gun Was Left Behind When the Burghers Abandoned Their Fortified Position.

KIMBERLEY, Feb. 19.—By heliograph to Modder River, Feb. 19: The country is all free around Kimberley. The Boers have evacuated Dronfield, Saltpan, Spytfontein and Scholtz Nek. One of their 12-pounders with ammunition was captured, as was also their larger at Bronkrik, which was abandoned Friday night. Rails are being laid to Modder River. Several herds of cattle have been captured.

Cecil Rhodes is in excellent spirits.

MYSTERY OF A SUNKEN SHIP

British Steamer Restormel, Laden With Wheat, Said to Be Bound to South Africa, Goes Down.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 20.—The British steamer Restormel, which was ready to sail from this port with a cargo of wheat for Limerick, Ireland, sank in the Delaware River off Kaighn's Point, N. J., last night. Considerable mystery surrounds the sinking of the vessel, as it is reported that the grain was to be forwarded eventually to South Africa. The steamer had nearly ten feet of water in her forehold when the first mate discovered that the vessel was settling. Capt. Merlin was not aboard when the accident occurred.

FRENCH'S LOSS WAS LIGHT

Two Officers Killed and Four Wounded in the Relief of Kimberley.

LONDON, Feb. 20.—The War Office announces the following casualties among officers during the relief of Kimberley:

Killed—Lieut. A. E. Heskith, Sixteenth Lancers; Lieut. W. McClintock Bunbury, Second Dragoons.

Wounded—Capt. E. R. Gordon and Lieut. D. E. Brassey, Ninth Lancers; Capt. G. B. Tuson, Sixteenth Lancers; Lieuts. R. I. Fordyce and W. Long, Second Dragoons.

ASSOCIATED PRESS WINS.

Chicago Tribune Denied Injunction for Alleged Infringement of Copyright.

CHICAGO, Feb. 20.—Judge Seaman, in the United States District Court today issued an order denying the injunction prayed for by the Chicago Tribune against the Associated Press. This grew out of an alleged infringement of copyright.

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Died While at Her Work.

Eliza Alexander, a colored domestic at 3621 Washington, died suddenly Monday while ironing. The coroner found that death was caused by heart disease.

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11-4 California, white, all-wool, blue, pink and red borders, per pair.....$6.50

12-4, $8.50, $10, $12.50, $13.50, $16.50

Comfortables, filled with Hygeia Lambs' Wool, covered with fancy silkoline, light-weight tufted, size 72x84; each, $4.00, $4.50

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Size, 72x84.....$13.50

Quilts. White Crochet Marseilles patterns, hemmed and ready for use, sizes 80x90; $1.00

White Crochet Marseilles patterns, hemmed and ready for use, beds, sizes 90x90; $1.25, $1.65

Marseilles, light-weight, hemmed and ready for use; sizes 80x90; $2.00, $2.50, $3.00, $3.50, $4.00, $4.50, $5.00, $7.00

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DEATHS.

ALLEN—On Monday, Feb. 19, 1900, Beverley Allen.

The funeral will take place from the family residence, 1416 East Grand avenue, on Wednesday, the 21st inst., at 3 o'clock p. m. Interment private.

COLLINS—On Monday, Feb. 19, at 12 o'clock, Thomas Collins, after a lingering illness, beloved son of Edward and Nora Collins (nee O'Brien), and dear brother of James, Patrick, Frank and Peter Collins.

Funeral Wednesday, at 2 o'clock, from Benedictine Publishing House, St. Lawrence O'Toole church, thence to Cavalry Cemetery. Please omit flowers.

Chicago, Denver and Newark (N. J.) papers please copy.

LA CHANCE—On Feb. 20, 1900, Charles La Chance, son of John and Jane La Chance, aged 11 years.

Funeral from the family residence, 2511 Geyer avenue, Wednesday, Feb. 21, at 2 o'clock p. m.

MCDERMOTT—On Tuesday, Feb. 20, at 3:30 a. m., Edward McDermott, father of Nellie and Thomas McDermott.

Funeral from family residence, 2258 Madison street, on Thursday, Feb. 22, at 1:30 p. m., to St. Louis Church, thence to Calvary Cemetery. Friends invited.

SANDER—On Tuesday, Feb. 20, Paul Sander, aged 36 years, beloved husband of Amelia Sander (nee Jenigen).

Funeral will take place from residence, 440 Bates street, Thursday, Feb. 22, at 2 p. m., to Carondelet Cemetery. Friends of the family invited to attend.

SCHUENEMANN—Tuesday morning, at residence, 1019 South Tenth street, Louis Schuenemann, beloved husband of Mrs. Emma Schuenemann (nee Vasper), father of Emma, Louis, Willie Schuenemann and Mrs. Anne Bourke. Odd Bourke, only grandchild.

Funeral Thursday. Interment private.

WYNN—Suddenly, on Sunday, Feb. 18, 1900, at 11:30 o'clock p. m., John Wynn, husband of Elizabeth Wynn.

Funeral will take place Wednesday, the 21st inst., at 8:30 o'clock a. m., from family residence, 2747 Howell avenue, to St. Kevin's Church, thence to Calvary Cemetery. Friends are invited to attend.

Deceased was a member of Mount Olive Lodge, A. O. U. W.

HOUNDED BY A DARK PAST.

William A. Beuttner Says He Is an Ex-Convict.

SERVED A TERM IN SING SING.

HIS BAD RECORD HAS ALWAYS FOLLOWED HIM.

He Says He Can Beat the Omaha Charge and Will Return to St. Loui to Begin a New Life.

William A. Buettner, who was arrested in his office in the Holland Building, Sunday, and who was taken back to Omaha Monday night, where an indictment for fraud is pending against him, is one of the most interesting prisoners ever confined in the St. Louis holdover.

Monday afternoon he told Chief of Detectives Desmond the story of his remarkable career.

He has served one term in the Sing Sing prison and has been mixed up with some of the most famous cases ever tried in the United States. He is licensed to practice in the United States courts, having been admitted to the United States Supreme Court at Washington.

"Chief Desmond, I want to tell you about my case," said Buettner.

"I have a record that you will get, anyhow, and I might as well tell it.

"I was born in Ohio, near Cincinnati. I was given a good education and when I was yet a young man I went West to seek my fortune. I landed in Omaha. I was

WILLIAM A. BUETTNER.

well qualified to teach school and as there was an opening for me in the public schools I took the place. In less than a year I had been made principal of the public school and then later I was made principal of the High School.

"Though doing well, I was ambitious and wanted to become a lawyer. I was finally admitted to the bar. I practiced law in Nebraska, but concluded that the East offered a larger field and I went to New York.

"I was fortunate. I sprung into a splendid practice. I was associated with a man who, though he was the ultimate cause of my downfall, had stood high. Even now he is one of the best known missionaries in the country. The truth has never been told about how I was sent to the penitentiary.

"At the time that my first trouble came upon me I was prosperous. My practice would easily bring me $2,000 a year. I had gotten into politics and was a candidate for the Legislature. One day a Mrs. Gray, a woman I had once known and who was a friend of my family, came to me in the office. She wanted a divorce and I agreed to get it for her. This was the first step. I got the divorce decree for her legally. While the original decree was in my desk my partner saw it. He took the decree and in some means it was lost. But my partner was resourceful. He obtained a blank decree and had some more printed. Then he obtained a seal, a fac-simile of that used by the clerk of the court that granted the decree. He filled it out and forged the clerk's signature and delivered the forged decree to Mrs. Gray. The fraud was not discovered at the time.

"Not a great while later Caesar Borgia, the head chief of the Hoffman House, came to me and asked me to obtain a divorce for him. I told him my fee was $500 in advance. He said what I asked. I did not one dollar to earn this money. I was then in politics, and busy with my candidacy. Borgia inquired of me the status of his case, but I made answers that appeared satisfactory to him.

"In the meantime my partner and I had dissolved partnership. It afterwards developed that my partner had gone to the chief and told him that I was doubledealing with him. He told him that I had already obtained the divorce and was keeping it and would demand $500 more before giving it up. He offered to get it for him and the chief, who knew but little about such matters, gave him the money and my former partner gave him a decree. I knew nothing about this transaction.

"Not a great while after this I learned all about it. I saw in some newspaper that Borgia had married again. I knew his divorce had not been granted, and then I learned the true state of affairs. I knew that I could be prosecuted for grand larceny for taking his money, so I kept quiet.

"One night when I was entering the theater with my wife a stranger tapped me on my arm and flashing a star told me the chief wanted to see me. I was in full dress and, of course, was indignant. The detective told me I had best come without any trouble. I went and was taken before Inspector Byrnes. He is a wonderful man. Before morning I had made a partial confession.

"On the night of my arrest a newspaper reporter named Carlin landed the story of the forged divorce decrees.

"I made terms with the officials. I consented to plead guilty to grand larceny and they were to nolle pross the forgery charge. But they afterwards tried me on that charge. My partner turned State's evidence and they hatched up evidence that convicted me. I was sentenced to Sing Sing for seven years and served my term.

"When I got out I went to Philadelphia. Here I was not recognized until three years later when I again got into trouble. The cashier from the Blechwecher's Bank in Berlin, the largest one in the European Continent, had defaulted and had come to America. He had been arrested and was in prison. One day his daughter came to my office and wanted me to defend her father. I agreed to do this. She told me that over in a certain field in New Jersey her father had planted a box containing $19,000 in gold. This was to get $3000 for defending him and the girl wanted me to go with her. I consented. It was a dark, cold night that we set out. We had a long walk after we left the train before we located the spot where the money had been hidden. I shouldered the box and we started for the point on the railroad track to which there we were to catch the train. The box was heavy and we walked along in silence. Presently we came to a cattle guard. I crossed it in safety. The girl slipped and one of her legs slipped between the triangular sawed timbers. She became fastened and could not move. I watched her for a minute thinking all the while she would be able to extricate herself. In a few moments I heard a train whistle. It was the night express and came thundering along. I dropped the box and dragged her from the place where she was fastened. Another instant would have been too late.

"We reached my office in Philadelphia. I counted out my $3000 and delivered to her $16,000. In a day or two she brought the money back to me and asked me to keep it. She feared the Pinkertons, who were on the case, would find the money and take away her father's chance of having funds to fight the case. I took it and deposited the money in my own name in the bank. Then it became necessary for me to go to New York on business. A certain lawyer had by some chance learned of my former New York record and he went to the girl and told her I had made plans to go away with her $16,000. He said I had gone to New York now and when I returned I would get the money and leave. They went to Justice of the Peace and swore out a warrant. When I got back a Constable placed me under arrest. I saw the game. On the way to the Magistrate's I stopped at a bank where I had deposited some of the girl's money and drew $7000. When I reached the Magistrate's I laid the $7000 down and was release on my own recognizance. When I drew the money the lawyer divined my intentions and he proceeded to another Magistrate's and got out another warrant. Again I was arrested and again I put up another $7000 in coin to guarantee I would be in court when wanted.

"Then they got out a process from the United States courts and again I was detained. I fought this case and was not indicted. They brought a civil suit against me, but I fought it and was successful. I was awarded $2500 for what I had done for the cashier and his daughter. But all my past record had been brought up against me and I was compelled to leave.

"I went West and located in Seattle. I did no good there and came back to Omaha. I remained there a while, but got into financial straits and left. I came to St. Louis last December. My acts here have not been those of a criminal. Every cent I obtained here was regular and all has been paid back. I did not attempt to practice law here thinks I am an attorney in good standing in the United States Supreme Court at Washington. I had a number of cases, but I turned them over to St. Louis lawyers. I was attending night lectures here and was going to stand my examination in June, when I was going to embark upon the regular practice of law. I appeared in the United States courts here several times, but I have a perfect right to appear in any United States court.

"This charge in Omaha is nothing. I can beat it easily and I will. I had hoped to locate here in St. Louis and by acting properly, live down my past.

"I have a wife and son, but I do not care to mention where they are."

Buettner is a large and powerfully built man. He has a strong and pleasing voice and is earnest in his manner. The lawyer who caused him the trouble in Philadelphia afterwards gained fame in the prosecution of Homes. His first partner was prominent in the defense of the whisky ring. Assistant Circuit Attorney Krone listened to Buettner's revelations and he was greatly impressed with the man's statement.

"He is a wonderful man," said Mr. Krone. "There have been few men of his caliber arrested in St. Louis since I have been around the Four Courts."

Buettner left at 8:25 Monday night in charge of a deputy sheriff for Omaha.

RURAL PREJUDICE.

Encouraged a Startling Dramatic Innovation.

From Puck.

"Now, looky here, Mr. Hooks!" carpingly ejaculated the manager of the Town Hall at Pettyville, "what in tunkett is your idea for advertisin' that the Uncle Tom of your company goes on the stage at every performance dressed in golf clothes? I don't mind seein' the grand old historic drama chopped all to pieces by the introduction of Marks and his son and grandson in a three-brother song-and-dance, but riggin' up Uncle Tom that way is nonsense—cratted nonsense! That's my opinion of it."

"Nonsense? Not on your appetite!" replied the proprietor of the Uncle Tom's Cabin aggregation which was to edify Pettyville that night. "It's the biggest kind of a hit with country audiences everywhere. To see the wearer of a golf suit get kicked and cuffed and crippled and killed. They simply cheered themselves hoarse at every stand. Greatest hit on record, I tell you!"

PAYS MILLIONS

To Talk Health to the Public.

A short time ago the advertising manager of the Postum Cereal Co., Ltd., at Battle Creek, Mich., furnished this paper with a statement as follows: "We receive in some single months 1200 to 1500 letters from people explaining their experience with coffee drinking, which would interest any physician or any person making the subject of health a study. (And that is really a very important subject for every one). Many of these letters give the details of how the writer, having been ill for months, and in some cases for years, without discovering the cause of illness, has finally been led to suspect that coffee (which is really a drug) has been the cause, and in order to prove for their own satisfaction, have abandoned coffee and taken up Postum Food Coffee, with remarkable results in many cases.

The most common ailments from coffee are headache, general nervous prostration and stomach trouble. Many times a blotchy complexion is the result, and a very large number speak of serious kidney troubles that have been set up, which disappear when coffee is left off and Postum Food Coffee taken in its place, but the range of disorders to the human system is very wide, and directly points to the effect of coffee on the nervous system, which locates in some one or more of the different organs of the body.

It is plainly evident that any person suffering with lung trouble, catarrh, heart trouble, bowel complaint, pain in the back of the head or at the top of the spinal column, female troubles, and a wide range of difficulties will be surely and permanently helped if coffee is left out of the diet, and Postum Food Coffee taken up. The reason is as clearly marked out as any plain conclusion that the mind can reach, and is absolutely proven by personal test. Coffee is a distinct poison, to many people, often slow and insidious but sure. Leaving it off will remove the cause of the trouble, and on the other hand, if Postum Food Coffee is taken up, the natural elements which exist in it, and which are selected from the grains of the field intended by Nature for rebuilding the nervous system will make themselves shown in increased strength, vitality and health.

We feel that we have a clear right to tell these facts over and over again to the public, and to ask them "to make trial for themselves, in order to prove the truth of our statements." The subject is worth the attention of every one interested in physical and mental health.

CONDITION OF ODEON.

VIEWS OF THE BUILDING COMMISSIONER AND ARCHITECT SWASEY.

FORMER URGES MORE EXITS.

Mr. Swasey Says There Are Now Eight Exits and Plans Are Being Made for Tow More.

Building Commissioner Longfellow declares that certain requirements stipulated by him in November last concerning the Odeon on Grand avenue must be complied with before that building can be pronounced safe. Mr. Swasey, architect of the Odeon, insists that all Mr. Longfellow's requirements have been complied with except two—an asbestos curtain and sprinklers on the stage. These, he says, will be put in as soon as possible.

Building Commissioner Longfellow says the chief complaint is that there should be four more exits from the auditorium and additional fire escapes. Mr. Swasey says there are eight exits in all, and that two more will soon be made.

Negotiations are now pending between Mr. Swasey and St. Alphonsus' Church, which Mr. Swasey hopes will result in permission for him to cut through the stone wall, making the exits on that side available, and place fire escapes on that side of the building. If an arrangement of this kind cannot be made, the Odeon Co. will try to purchase 10 feet of the church property.

The Odeon auditorium is reached by two driveways on the outside of the building, each 10 feet wide, and an arcade through the Masonic Temple, 15 feet wide. These approaches are from Grand avenue and are 120 feet long. They lead into an arcade which separates the Odeon and Masonic Temple Buildings. The main exit from the auditorium is into this arcade.

There are two exits on the main floor which open on High School property on the south. There are two exits from the gallery on this side, from which iron ladders lead to the ground. There are three exits from the stage, leading to a vacant lot, Odeon property, at the head of School street.

"The permit under which the Odeon was constructed was issued by the former Building Commissioner," said Mr. Longfellow, Tuesday. "When I learned the kind of building that was being erected it was too late to make it comply in all particulars with the ordinance regulating theaters and buildings for public entertainments, but I informed Mr. Swasey that certain changes would have to be made.

"An information was drawn up against him in November last. Mr. Swasey promised that the requirements would be met as the progress of the building continued. The last time I saw Mr. Swasey about the matter was about one month or six weeks ago.

"The requirements have not been met and the information now in the City Attorney's possession was drawn up to oblige Mr. Swasey to conform to my requirements.

"Sliding doors were originally put in. I had those changed to swing out. There are other changes necessary. The stairways must be made fireproof, the stage must be made fireproof and the boiler rooms must be made fireproof.

"The exits from the auditorium on the north side must be made available and the fire escapes on that side must be made available. It is absolutely necessary for the safety of the public that these things be done.

"The proceedings against Mr. Swasey have not been begun because Mr. Swasey was relied upon to make the necessary changes."

Mr. Swasey declared in answer to Mr. Longefellow's statements that the Odeon was perfectly safe.

"The small amount of rent which the musical societies of this city were able to pay, made the idea of a fireproof music hall an absolute impossibility," he said. "It was therefore essential that a lot should be found which would allow the hall to be erected so that all parts of it would be accessible to the fire department and also available for putting the public in and out. The lot on which the Odeon is erected fills this requirement, and to insure every possible means against fire, the heating apparatus has been placed in an entirely separate building. The electric wires are all exposed so that none of them could become dangerous and not be immediately perceptible.

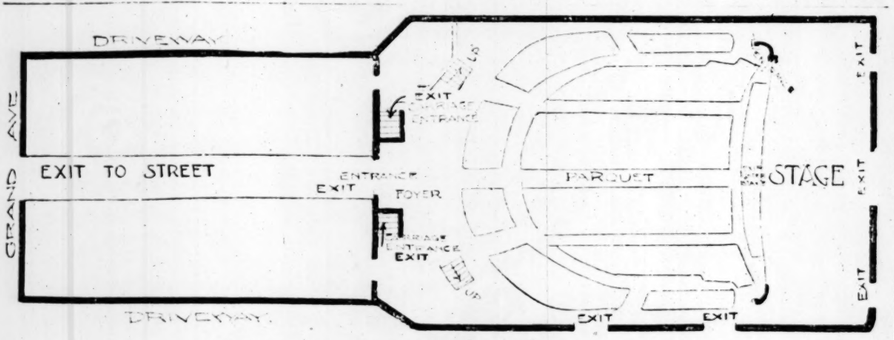
"In case of fire starting from the Masonic Building the audience could get out on each side of the parquet by generous doors to the stage, the end of which has two large doors, aggregating a width of 30 feet. There are also two 12-foot doors on the south side of the hall, opening on a 30-foot gramblold walk between the High School and Odeon Building.

"The balcony, in addition to the 16-foot stairways to foyer, has 15-foot door openings on each side, which open to space easily accessible to the Masonic Hall, which are provided with iron stairs to the ground.

"In case of fire starting from the stage, the audience would have in addition these side exits, a 15-foot arcade through the Masonic Building, and two 10-foot exits on each side of the Masonic Building, which connect four floors of the Music Hall by two 12-foot iron stairways. It is safe to say there is not another hall in the United States having better facilities for handling the large number of accident or fire than the Odeon possesses.

"The roof and balcony are supported by iron columns or beams, independent of the walls. All the woodwork of the Music Hall is painted with a fireproof paint, which has been passed upon by the St. Louis Board of Fire Underwriters as being the most reliable material now in use. It will stand flame 30 minutes before allowing the timber to ignite. In addition to this all the plastering has been applied to metal laths, so that there is no wood laths used anywhere in the hall.

"While the question of cost had to be considered in view of the profits which could be expected, the safety of the public was a matter which would involve my reputation and I could not allow any saving in construction to jeopardize that interest."



GROUND PLAN OF THE ODEON, SHOWING EXITS.

Willing, but Not Ready.

From the Chicago Tribune.

The red-nosed vagrant stopped the preoccupied citizen at the street corner.

"Beg pardon, sir," he said, "but may I ask—"

"You may ask if you want to," interrupted the preoccupied citizen, "but I can't tell you. I don't know when the blamed concert begins."

And he hurried on.

Got It.

From the Chicago Tribune.

She—What we claim is that we ought to have a voice in the management of the affairs of this country.

He—Oh, I've no objection to that. I thought you wanted to vote

CLARK NOT SUSPICIOUS

DOES NOT BELIEVE HIS MONEY WAS USED FOR BRIBERY.

HE IS LAX IN HIS BOOKKEEPING.

Every Six Months, He Says, He Destroys His Check Books With the Stubs and All.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—When the Senate Committee on Elections resumed its sitting to-day the cross-examination of Senator Clark was continued by Mr. Campbell. The first inquiry related to the memorandum of expenses supplied yesterday by the Senator. He said he had prepared this statement from the books of his bank. He had not only destroyed his checks, but also the check stubs, but was confident that the showing made was correct. He had destroyed the checks in this instance, as he was in the habit of doing about every six months, and not because he felt there was any especial reason for getting rid of them at this time.

In reply to questions, Mr. Clark said that so far as he knew the committee acting in his behalf in the campaign had not filed any statement of expenditures as required by the Montana election law. He had made none. He had not considered himself a candidate when the members of the Legislature were elected. Money supplied by him later was for the purpose of paying expenses already incurred and not as a Senatorial candidate.

"Where did your son get the $20,000 he paid during the session of the Legislature?"

"I presume he checked it on his own account, but I do not know."

"What explanation did Mr. Wellcome make when he made his demand upon you for $15,000?"

"He said, as well as I can remember, that he had drawn upon his own account. He will, however, be able to tell you about that. I required no detailed statement from him, feeling confident the expenditure was made in a legitimate way."

Asked about the reports that his son had bought a large amount of property from State Senator Warren, Mr. Clark said he had made no inquiry of him, because he was thoroughly convinced that the reports were untrue.

"I asked neither him nor Wellcome nor Bickford nor Davidson nor Steele, nor any of these men in regard to any of the reports of bribery, because I was sure they were absolutely false," he said. "The charges were made by men in whom I had no confidence and they went in one ear and out of the other."

His son was, he said, in the habit of conducting his own business affairs without consulting him and as for the charges of bribery in connection with the transaction, he did not believe them; hence he had made no inquiry and did not know that the $700 paid for this property had come out of any of the money furnished by him in connection with the campaign.

Referring to one of Dr. Ector's letters concerning Representative Woods, Mr. Clark said he understood that Mr. Woods was a good-natured man and liable to be influenced by those who saw him first. He did not believe that he was seeking or would take a bribe. He believed, however, that Dr. Ector himself was intimating that he wanted pecuniary remuneration for himself. He said, however, that he had merely glanced the letter over and passed it to Mr. Bickford. This latter remark aroused the interest of Senator Hoar, who asked a number of questions, showing hesitancy in the matter, but Mr. Clark insisted that he did not know Mr. Ector, and that he had given little attention to the letter, notwithstanding that it related to the vote of a member of the Legislature.

URAMSAY BANK CREDITORS.

Supreme Court Decision Is Favorable to Their Interests.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

CARLYLE, Ill., Feb. 20.—The local creditors of the defunct Ramsay Bank are greatly rejoiced over the news which arrived this morning that the Supreme Court had rendered a final decision in the celebrated Ramsay case favorable to their interests. Hon. M. P. Murray, counsel for the R. N. Ramsay estate, received a message this morning stating that the case had been reversed and remanded. The last decision of the Supreme Court was a knock-out to Ramsay's Chicago landsmen, if they succeeded in getting the case taken up again on a rehearing. The case has stood the last test in the courts, and the decision just rendered is final. It means that the local creditors will receive a portion of their savings that have been tied up in this case for the past six years. The estate will probably pay 60 cents on the dollar.

At the death of State Treasurer R. N. Ramsay, Nov. 11, 1892, his bondsmen paid the deficit of $32,000 in the State Treasury, and then laid claim to the Ramsay estate. The legal fight has been long and bitter.

Limits to His Gratitude.

From the Chicago Tribune.

"I feel that I ought to make some acknowledgment to the people who were so kind to us during my late wife's sickness," said Mr. Phroogle. "and I would like to have you insert this card of thanks in a prominent place in this week's paper."

"We are obliged to make a charge for these notices," replied the editor of the Weekly Blizzard, looking over the manuscript, "and this will cost you $1."

"Then you needn't publish it," replied Mr. Phroogle. "I am not quite as grateful as all that comes to."

An Expurgating Typewriter.

Bobbs—I see that a man has invented a typewriter that can't set down and talk to, and it writes out everything you say.

Dobbs—I guess I'll keep mine. She doesn't write everything I say and I'm glad of it.—Baltimore American.

Another Big Ocean Liner.

It is rumored that another big ocean liner is to be built, which will rival even the famous Oceanic in size. As usual, American enterprise is at the head of the project. America seems determined to have the greatest, whether it be steamships, art, inventions or medicine. Take Hostetter's Stomach Bitters as an example of what has been accomplished in medicine. It has proved its worth for over fifty years of cures of stomach diseases. There is nothing like this famous remedy for indigestion, biliousness, constipation and nervousness. It also cures liver and kidney trouble, and prevents malaria, fever and ague. Be sure you get the genuine, with Private Revenue Stamp over neck of bottle, or you will not be benefited.

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MACRUM HAS PROOF

ENVELOPES OPENED BY BRITISH CENSOR AT CAPE TOWN.

CONTAINED OFFICIAL LETTERS.

They Were Marked "U. S. Consular Service" and Sealed With the United States Seal.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—Charles F. Macrum, late Consul at Pretoria, furnishes proof of his charge that United States official mail was opened by the British censor. Mr. Macrum has several envelopes, each bearing the British sticker applied to the envelope after it had been opened by the censor.

He has one envelope which contained mail matter from Consul-General Stowe at Cape Town. It is the regulation blue of the Consular Service. It bears upon its face the legend "U. S. Consular Service," and a stamp "Mail Suspended." On the reverse side is the United States Government seal impressed upon the red sealing wax of the consular service. The British sticker, revealing the letter after it had been ejected, bears the portrait heads of V. R. Underneath of the clerk who opened the letter, the name of the place where it was opened.

This letter was mailed at Cape Town, Oct. 31, addressed to Pretoria. It was held there one month, apparently, for the next postmark is that of Durban, dated Nov. 1. From Durban it was sent to Pretoria and reached Mr. Macrum in its mutilated form.

The circulars to consuls issued by the department are not in themselves important, but envelopes addressed to them reached Mr. Macrum. They were confiscated without apology or explanation by the British censor. As for Mr. Macrum's personal mail, he never heard of it.

The British authorities are familiar with the American consular code. On Nov. 8 Mr. Macrum sent a cablegram in code to the State Department, merely requesting that he be permitted to come home. Usually cablegrams, because of the difference in time between South Africa and this country, consume two days in transmission, but it is say the cable sent by Mr. Macrum on Nov. 8 would normally have been received by the State Department on Nov. 10. But on Nov. 9, before the cablegram was sent to the State Department, and probably and before it was sent from South Africa, probably, the British papers in Natal, hundreds of miles away, announced that Consul Macrum, the American Consul at Pretoria, desired to be permitted to go home.

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CONTEST IS BITTER.

REPUBLICAN POLITICS IN ILLINOIS IN A MUDDLE.

A SPLIT IN EDGAR COUNTY.

Next Fight of Tannerites and Cullomites in Jackson County and Both Sides Are Using All Possible Energy.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Feb. 20.—Results of the several county conventions held in Illinois yesterday show Republican politics in the State in a bad muddle. A split occurred in the Edgar County convention and contesting delegates were chosen to both the State and the Legislative District conventions. The Tannerites left the hall after choosing uninstructed delegates. The counter convention instructed delegates to vote for Reeves for Governor and for candidates for the Legislature who favor Cullom. The delegates to the Congressional convention were not instructed.

The Knox County Republicans chose a delegation to the State convention about evenly divided between Tanner and Cullom men, and indorsed the candidacies of M. O. Williamson of Galesburg for State Treasurer and of George W. Prince of the same city for renomination to Congress. Judge Harvey addressed the convention, but did not secure instruction of delegates in favor of his candidacy.

In Scott County the Republicans indorsed Yates for Governor, Cullom for Senator and James A. Rose for Secretary of State.

Of the four delegates chosen from Moultrie County, two are for Yates, one for Carter and one for Reeves. Hamlin easily defeated Northcott for indorsement for Lieutenant-Governor. J. M. Clokey of Macon County was indorsed for State Treasurer and James A. Rose and James McCullough also secured indorsement.

One of the most important conventions of the campaign is being held to-day in Murphysboro, and the fight between the Cullom-Reeves and Tanner-Hamlin factions seems nip and tuck. This is Congressman George W. Smith's district, and each faction is demanding that he identify himself with it. Up to last night Mr. Smith, while not announcing his attitude, seemed inclined to the Cullom side. If the Cullom side wins it means that James A. Rose will get endorsement of his own district for Secretary of State, as the Cullomites are bitter against him because of his work for Tanner. Col. J. M. Clokey of Decatur, candidate for State Treasurer, is in charge of the Tanner forces and he also officers for the Macon County man and other Tanner leaders, much sentiment against Cullom has been reawakened among the miners, the largest portion of the voting population of the county, because of his veto while Governor of a bill abolishing pickeme stores.

The Logan County convention also meets to-day in Lincoln, and the returns from the primaries make the probable result of the Cullom and Tanner fight in the county decidedly hazy. Senator Cullom's friends will endeavor to secure definite instructions in his behalf in this county.

At a joint meeting of the Anna and East Anna McKinley Clubs yesterday, a compromise between the Reeves and Yates followers was effected, the agreement being that Yates' name should alone be voted on in the primary, and, in return, Reeves should have four of the five delegates to the State Convention, if Yates carries the county.

Judge Joseph P. Roberts of Cairo denies the report that he has withdrawn from the race for Congress in opposition to Smith.

The Crawford County Democrats have endorsed the candidacy of Congressman Crawford for re-election.

English in the Hub.

From the Boston Herald.

Bostonians with the half mask are proverbially queer. A lady told me recently that she never saw the "little green horse car." But she didn't get into it, whether she was not invited to do so, I do not know. I am surprised, for she is our relative to Boston institutions. It is supposed Bostonians that resemble Bostonian with numerous peculiarities, but never heeded the little green car at the Dartmouth street terminus while the horses were moved toward Roxbury. The little green car is a novelty, and standing on that windy corner was worse than sitting in the old car. The conductor didn't appreciate the situation. He stood his head in the door and volunteered the information: "This is as far as we go, lady." "Really," replied the passenger, "I did not never mean to go back." Then the door was closed, the conductor passed in freezing solitude, and then the horses were turned the other way, and the little green car jingled backward once more.

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THE GOOD MR. CLARK.

Senator Clark of Montana has a clear conscience. He did not buy the Senatorship. He is too high minded. He paid the expenses of the campaign, amounting to $115,000, but he did not buy the Senatorship. Perish the thought.

Senatorial canvasses are expensive in Montana. Wicked men are trying constantly to get control of the political machinery of the State, and the good Mr. Clark is determined they never shall succeed. The last fight cost him $115,000, a fortune for the average man, but he paid it out without flinching. Had it been five times $115,000 he would have paid it just as willingly—so good is Mr. Clark.

Montana is a fortunate State. When wicked men try to buy the Senatorship the good Mr. Clark is ready to pour out his money like water to balk them and bring their nefarious designs to naught. How many millionaires would be willing to spend a year's interest on $2,000,000 to save their States from a corrupt Senatorial election?

It costs a lot of money to prevent the purchase of a seat in the United States Senate. But Mr. Clark doesn't let a little matter of $115,000 scare him when he sees bad men trying to corrupt a Legislature of pure and honorable men. He will keep them in the straight and narrow path. Mr. Clark shines out with a great light of true goodness against a background of the blackest wickedness.

If Gov. Taylor were left undisturbed in the State House at Frankfort, would he devote a part of his time to searching out the assassin of Gov. Goebel?

CLEAN LITTLE KNICKERBOCKERS

Father Knickerbocker has decided that all his little boys shall have the opporunity to be clean. In other words, New York City is to have shower baths in all the public schools.

What does St. Louis think of that? The little Knickerbockers do not need shower baths so much as the little sons of St. Louis. Because anthracite is comparatively cheap in New York, the little Knickerbockers don't accumulate so much soot on their persons in the 24 hours as the children do here. And New York's streets are cleaner than those of St. Louis.

All this ought only to encourage St. Louis to take a step, as soon as possible, in the New York direction. We have talked free baths for years. Where are they? Is it not time to do something, when New York makes such a stride in the path of progress?

When the Constitution and the Declaration of Independence are so easily knocked out by a syndicate Administration, what can decisions of the Supreme Court amount to?

THE PRAISE OF WAR.

In his sermon to the Sons of the Revolution, Dr. Holland glorifies war in terms calculated to make the jingo heart jump for joy.

"The sword civilizes," says Dr. Holland. "Christianity has civilized the world by bayonets far more than by missionary boards." "Its supreme evangelist has ever been and still is the sword."

"Accordingly then," the preacher goes on, "the first principle of the state is power."

If power is the first principle of a state it seems to follow that the state which has most might can ignore right without doing violence to its own integrity. Its neighbors plead right, but if they lack the first principle of a state they have no standing in the forum of morals or humanity.

This seems dangerous doctrine to preach. A nation which, relying upon its power, does willful wrong, may win a few victories, but is already on the way to death. Nationally, as well as individually, the essence of life is right, and no rhetoric, however splendid, can make it otherwise.

If a Mohammedan force were to come upon Dr. Holland and cut him down as an infidel, would the sword be a "carver of destinies," or only a carver of Dr. Holland?

PULPIT MATCHMAKING

Let no one repeat the accusation that the pulpit is not concerning itself with the affairs of this present life. Father McEnroe of South Bethlehem, Pa., has just told the young men of his parish that they are not doing their duty in remaining single. There are 500 maidens in that parish who ought to be wedded, but the young men are either too bashful or too much afraid of the expense to relieve this small army of single young women of the fear of becoming old maids.

We have had the pulpiteer on female dress; the political preacher and the socio-economic preacher have been with us for some time; and now comes the pulpit matchmaker.

Instead of trying to lead the young men into wedlock in a body, perhaps Father McEnroe could accomplish more by taking them singly and making matches seriatim. If bashfulness is the trouble, he could certainly supply the necessary self-confidence. If expense is the bogy, the South Bethlehem young men might with profit be asked to read what the Post-Dispatch correspondents have to say on "How to Live on Moderate Means."

The Sunday Post-Dispatch of last Sunday contained 114 columns of advertising—a gain over the corresponding issue of last year of 45 columns. The highest gain of any competitor only reached 27 columns. Of the Sunday Post-Dispatch's great gain the local merchants took 34 columns—more than two-thirds—for their announcements to the people of St. Louis and the city's suburbs. This class of advertising is the best test of a newspaper's value as an advertising medium. It is based upon an intelligent view of the quantity and quality of its circulation within its immediate territory. The St. Louis merchants know that the circulation of the Post-Dispatch in St. Louis and suburbs is more than twice as large as that of any competitor. They are utilizing their knowledge to best advantage. This is a big straw which indicates not only which way the wind is blowing, but the force of the breeze.

STREET RAILWAY REGULATION.

No citizen of St. Louis who is dependent upon the street car lines for transportation will say a word against the justice of Councilman Hodges' bill reducing the fare of strap passengers to 3 cents. Three cents is a fair rate for all passengers and it is an excessive rate for passengers who are jammed in the aisles and are compelled to stand. The service on all the lines is execrable. The lines make enormous profits on conditions destructive of the comfort and menacing to the health of the public.

But will the reduction of fares for standing passengers secure the real objects necessary to the comfort and health of the public? Two things must be secured—seats for passengers and enough cars to accommodate the traffic. If the street car managers are compelled to cease packing people into the cars like cattle they must be compelled to supply sufficient cars to carry the traffic. Otherwise the public will be compelled to walk or wait at great inconvenience and danger to health.

The advent of monopoly in street car traffic renders thorough regulation of street car management for the protection of the public necessary. Rigid regulation is an essential concomitant of monopoly in transportation. The public must be protected from monopoly oppression.

But can the proper regulative laws be expected from legislators who have made it a rule to hold up street railway corporations for the privilege of holding up the public? The St. Louis people will not get honest laws to regulate street railway traffic until they elect honest legislators to pass them.

A decision of the United States Supreme Court says: "A power in the General Government to obtain and hold colonies as dependent territories over which they (the Congress) might legislate without restriction would be inconsistent with its own existence in its present form." The present form of our Government is continually in the way of imperialism. We need a new form altogether to properly carry out McKinleyism.

Reuben Daily, the Indiana candidate who is drawing great crowds by addressing his hearers with a phonograph, will probably be elected. There can be no doubt that the people are tired of the old-fashioned politician who works his own voice with his own vocal organs. Even Orator Puff, who had two voices, could hardly have competed with Reuben Daily's phonograph.

If war expansion is to continue as the American policy, why should we not form an alliance with China and drive all the European powers out of the Flowery Kingdom? Why should we confine ourselves to a little rabbit war in the Philippines? Why not make some show of greatness in our greed? Why not get something for our innumerable war stamps?

If the colonies of the United States cannot send their products to us free of duty, they should be allowed to put a tariff tax on all articles that we ship to them. It is a poor rule that doesn't work both ways. Besides, it is the high tariff theory that a high tariff builds up the country imposing it, and we want to build up our colonies.

"We have no right to keep the Philippine Islands, and we never did have such a right," says Constitutional Lawyer Carter. But the Administration isn't consulting constitutional lawyers just now, unless it be to learn how the plain provisions of the Constitution may be evaded.

In preparing for the World's Fair of 1903 St. Louis can avoid the mistakes of other World's Fair cities and take advantage of all methods that have been found successful. It will be strange if we do not have the greatest and most satisfactory exposition ever held.

The name "United States" is meaningless if we are to hold territory that cannot be a State. Should Mr. McKinley be re-elected there might be hope of a successful agitation to change the title of the Republic to one suited to an empire expanding by war and rapine.

Milton H. Smith, who is mentioned in the Watterson-Belmont Goebel correspondence, is the efficient railway president who testified to the importance of having a free pass in the judge's pocket when a railway case is to be tried.

China is to send many students to Europe and the United States, but it is likely that the Celestial Empire will be divided among its invaders long before her young men can learn European and American methods.

Both Germans and Irishmen who have become American citizens have served their country well. If Mr. Bartholdt knows enough to be a Congressman he should be well aware of this fact.

A European grain shortage brought good times back to the United States, and the South now has great expectations of the cotton shortage. American agriculture should study shortages on every rainy day.

With Great Britain working Secretary Hay and the Standard Oil Trust working Secretary Gage, what have the people of the United States to do with Mr. McKinley's Cabinet?

POST-DISPATCH SNAP SHOTS.

The Boers will soon find out what kind of a cat Kelly-Kenny is.

The Orange Free State has many kopjes, and the Boers are familiar with them all.

The Administration wishes that Consul Macrum had gone on an Arctic expedition with his secret.

The Secretary of State would rather hear an Englishman call him Mr. 'Ay than to hear an American say "Mr. Hay."

The passing of the broomstick may be inferred from the fact that the women of Chicago who are lawyers have organized a lawyer club.

The world will stop reading the Boer news for a day or two when Count Boni de Gould Castellane arrives in Paris and removes De Rodays from the earth.

The best horses for the British Army have been bought in St. Louis, and Uncle Samuel will find this city very useful to him if he is to maintain a large American army.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

F. T.—It was 20 below at Forest Park, February, 1899; 16 below in the city.

INQUIRER.—Columbus was the man who made the egg stand on end.

ss LODIE SULLIVAN.—Please send your address to City Editor Post-Dispatch.

ST. LOUIS' TEN BEST FEATURES

A Prize of $10.00 in Gold Will Be Given by the Post-Dispatch for the Best Article Telling What They Are.

Read what "Polly Pry" says, in the Denver Sunday Post, of St. Louis' good and bad characteristics. Miss Pry is evidently ten years behind the times. Lady readers of the Post-Dispatch are invited to answer her, telling what they think are St. Louis' ten best features. Letters must not exceed 200 words. Address, Editor Prize Competition. The competition will be closed Feb. 28 and the prize winner announced in the Sunday Post-Dispatch of March 4.

I AM going to tell you something about St. Louis to-day, dirty, ugly, hospitable, jolly old St. Louis, where they freeze in the winter, roast in summer, burn soft coal all the year round, bathe in liquid mud and cherish a desperated jealousy of Chicago.

St. Louis, with her filthy streets, smoke begrimed houses, magnificent suburbs, bad restaurants, beautiful churches, mediocre hotels, gorgeous beer gardens, fine street car service, provincial society, good-looking women and badly dressed men!

St. Louis, with its Carondelet and West End French families, American three many generations, and yet still amusingly French, its Tamoses and Chouteaus, its Valles and Lafayettes, as thoroughbred St. Louisans, and royally generous in their gifts to their home, its South St. Louis German families, knew no land save America, but still German in tastes, occupations and amusements; its North St. Louis Irish.

The keynote of the St. Louis character is generosity, and united to it is with an intense local pride and affection. It's not a bad thing to have around. You hear of it very frequently down there, and you see evidences of it on every side. In the special and private and public schools, the numerous scholarships, free art classes, public art galleries, libraries, music conservatories with generous prize courses, and you see it in the magnificent parks almost all gifts to the city, in the numerous homes for children, for old people, in free hospitals for the sick and the helpless, and seeing it you find it possible to forgive the dirty streets and smoky air and the ugly down-town districts.

It is claimed that there is less poverty in St. Louis than in any city of its size in America, and not in the world.

The tenement house, with its crowded rooms and reeking atmosphere is unknown in the great Missouri town, and it is only within the past few years that her public has been made acquainted with the apartment and flat house idea. Like Philadelphia, which it in many ways resembles, it is a city of small homes. There are miles and miles of them, little brick houses with stone doorsteps, where the whole family sits on hot summer evenings, a happy and contented people, in striking contrast to the restless and dissatisfied population of Chicago.

No matter how you approach St. Louis, if it be your first visit, you will find it ugly and disappointing. Your train rumbles across the great bridge, the porter hastily closes all the ventilators in your car and lights the gas. There is a final shriek from the engine and you are racing along under the very heart of the city. It is pitchy black, except for an occasional momentary gleam of daylight when you shoot past a ventilator shaft, and if you have heard about it, you remember a day long ago—when the tunnel was first built, when two trains came together in that black hole, and the dead and dying were dug out of such a wreck as, thank Heaven, is seldom heard of. The remembrance not being pleasant, you breathe a long sigh of relief when you find yourself glliding through the busy railroad yards and up to the finest depot in the world.

A picturesque structure of gray granite, with a vast shed with vaulted roof of glass, supported by monster steel girders, a shed where a hundred trains can receive and discharge their passengers at one time. The waiting rooms and offices are truly magnificent, with their Mosaic floors and walls, onyx and marble columns, bronze decorations, stained glass windows and splendid hardwood finishings. There are lounging rooms, restaurants, library, waiting rooms, offices and a beautiful covered court where you get your cab or carriage—a court big enough to hold 10 or 20 vehicles. But you emerge from this palatial Union Depot into narrow, dirty, dingy streets and you drive down to your hotel past row on row of ugly old houses, under a perfect network of telegraph, telephone and electric wires and you breathe an air that is one part ozone, one part smoke and one one part soot. You arrive at your destination looking like a chimney sweep and to leave your amusement you find a splendid modern hotel, all marble and brass, Turkish carpets, electric lights, handsome and polite servants—but when your train are brought up and you turn on your bath—if you are a real stranger you ring your bell and demand an explanation—if you're an old timer you simply get in, crawl out a mud bath and be it go at that. It's just one of the many peculiarities of St. Louis. They breathe soot, drink of and bathe in water that is as thick as a soup and yet the St. Louis women have a justly deserved reputation for good looks and particularly for fine beautiful complexions.

Now that Chicago's sewage has been turned into their only water supply they must be enjoying a lovely time. One could not imagine the water being worse than it was, but when you think of Chicago and the odor of that river that flows through her heart and of her population and slaughter houses, and remember that all the foulness from that vast district is running down into the stream from which St. Louis must drink—well—it doesn't seem unreasonable that she objects—does it?

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The stranger finds St. Louis unbearably in the winter. It rains, snows, blows, sleets, is muddy, foul and generally hideously disagreeable, but the natives do not mind. They go along in the even tenor of their way, have balls and receptions, dinners and card parties, taffy pullings and sewing bees, and all sorts of funny affairs that other cities do not have, because for all their size and wealth, the people are very old fashioned and clings tenaciously to the ways of her mother's mother.

Society is not very up-to-date, but with a few exceptions it really does not matter, which is not true of any other American city of which I have any knowledge. They are devoted patrons of the theater and turn out en masse to the opera, but it is nothing strange to see a woman in a decolette gown and a hat, not a man in dress clothes and tan shoes. That, however, is better than Chicago, there they do not go at all.

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When you leave the old St. Louis, the business part of the town, with its congestion of ancient and modern buildings, its dirt and noise, smoke and factories, its handsome stores and busy wholesale houses and go out into the residence district, out beyond Grand avenue, you feel as if you had entered another world. The narrow streets are replaced by broad avenues, the smoke-stained buildings by magnificent modern palaces, surrounded by beautiful green lawns and rows of stately trees, stately churches, with their tall spires pointing heavenward, handsome club houses where the St. Louis bachelors outside themselves in luxurious style, residences, great parks, with splendid drives, beautiful flowers and sparkling fountains, and last, but by no means least, a number of gorgeous summer gardens, where the St. Louisans goes to get a breath of fresh air on a summer night and to drink his beer in peace.

Gardens where a regular vaudeville theater runs every night, including Sundays, from early spring to late fall, a jolly, conventional place, with many green trees and countless little tables and chairs, a big pavilion in one corner, with a large well stocked bar at one end, in the music, in all the live performance, and everywhere rivers of electric lights, red, blue, green and yellow. A big orchestra blows away in front, or rather, as the music goes, floats back hither and thither, carrying huge trayfuls full of tall steins and glasses. Every seat is filled and crowds of laughing people are in the aisles and standing under the trees. Mamma and papa sit comfortably near a table, and the children roll about on the grass or run, shrieking with laughter, under the trees. It is Arcadian, delightful. German; it is St. Louis.

The best people in the city patronize these places. They are absolutely respectable. They are places where a man takes his wife and mother, his children, where he meets his friends and acquaintances. Where everybody is free from care, enjoys himself and herself in their own way, to look at the pays, listen to the music, roll ten pins, throw balls at nigger heads, shoot at rabbits, ride the chutes, or do anything other old thing that offers itself, and forget the trials and worries of life. They are good places for a city to have. They are good places for people who want fresh air and they bring them close together. They give the people a chance to laugh with one another and they have a tendency to obliterate the hatred that is supposed to exist between the classes. The poor man sees that the rich man is very much like other people, can neither eat nor drink more than himself, and is probably no happier, and the rich man sees that the poor man has a family and that they look content and happy and he pats himself when he thinks how many families he is helping to keep in luxurious idleness and they are both the better for the common meeting place.

Yes, I believe in it. The St. Louis beer garden—it's a good thing!

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St. Louis has a county fair every fall, and wonder of wonders, she makes it pay. It's just the regulation kind of country fair, with races and machinery exhibits and fat hogs and long-woolled sheep and prize cattle and fancy work—but everybody and everybody's family and friends pours out to the big, sunny Fair Grounds and buys peanuts and popcorn, looks at the pretty girls, bets on the races and declares it a huge success. So, for as many years as I can remember, the fair has been the regular fall attraction in St. Louis, and it will probably continue to be when I'm gone into the far beyond—because that is the way with St. Louis.

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They have an exposition down in the middle of the town and every night their crowd it to the doors—not to look at the exhibits, but to look at one another and to hear the music and drink more beer—and that is a success also.

Then there is Tony Faust's—you couldn't talk about St. Louis without mentioning him. Everybody who travels, from Boston to San Francisco, knows Tony and his place. This is the place to go and they like his place, down on the corner of Broadway and Elm street.

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And there's Shaw's Garden, the finest botanical garden in America, a priceless legacy left to the city by the owner, a splendid old man who spent years in collecting the wonderful flowers, plants, rare herbs and trees that fill the conservatories and immense gardens and who for 10 years had a standing offer of $5,000 for any specimen that the garden lacked.

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And Tower Grove Park, the most exquisite park in the West, a mile and a half long and a half mile wide, with lovely trees, beautiful drives, a half dozen superb statues, fountains, flowers, gate lodges of exceptional beauty, all surrounded by stone walls and entered through magnificent bronze gates—another gift from Henry Shaw to the city of his heart.

POLLY PRY.

REMEDIES FOR CHILBLAINS.

Harriet Hubbard Ayer Tells How to Get Rid of This Troublesome Winter Complaint.

Written for the Post-Dispatch.

THIS is the weather par excellence for a sudden outbreak of one of the most tormenting troubles delicately constituted mortals are heirs to, namely, the chilblains.

These too well-known inflammatory swellings, of a lead or purple hue, are commonly first induced through the habit of holding the hands or feet close to the fire or directly over the radiator or register, after they have been exposed to the cold.

The best preventives of chilblains are warm, easy shoes, stockings and gloves and plenty of friction and vigorous exercise.

When chilblains have once formed they usually return every season. They are agonizing in any stage and excruciating in the extreme when they ulcerate.

During their incipient stages the best treatment is with local stimulants and counter irritants.

There are more than a hundred recognized remedies for chilblains, but I have found painting the parts twice a day with a strong tincture of iodine, a cleanly and effective remedy—of course, for unbroken chilblains only.

I have also used a pomade for chilblains in the very earliest stage, as well as in later stages, which has been extremely efficacious. It is made as follows:

Good cold cream, two ounces, gallic acid, one-half dram.

Dissolve the acid in rosewater enough to make a solution, then add little by little the cold cream, stirring constantly.

When well incorporated add six drops of balsam of tolu.

Beat thoroughly, and when the mass has become a smooth paste pour into stone pots for future use.

Mode of usage: Get a pair of kid gloves three sizes too large. Rip the outside seams and turn the glove inside out. Spread the glove with a thick layer of the ointment. Be sure the fingers are well covered to the very tips. Turn the gloves back again and sew up the ripped seams. Wear these gloves for three days and nights without removing them.

This requires some heroism and a certain amount of seclusion, I am well aware, but it is a fact that it will in 50 per cent of ordinary chilblains re-establish circulation and effect a cure.

By the fourth day, if all pain and irritation have disappeared, the plastered gloves may be discarded, but the subject should wear ordinary kid gloves for at least three or four days longer.

When the chilblains ulcerate and break, the usual treatment is to dress them with a resin cerate, but even then, I think, if the ulcers are carefully washed and cleansed, the ointment used as a paste for the gloves spread upon lint and used as a dressing for the ulcers is more efficacious.

Persons subject to chilblains, chaps or abrasions of the hands should be especially careful to dry the hands thoroughly after washing them.

HARRIET HUBBARD AYER.

THRIFT AND THE FATES.

"A rolling stone," protested Thrift, "gathers no moss."

Yet stones rolled and gathered moss.

"Well, a stone that strokes cigarettes gathers no moss, anyway," gibbered Thrift desperately.

All the while the discerning eye could see that the fates were giving Thrift the laugh, more or less.—Detroit Journal.

WHERE THEY CAME FROM.

Maurice Jokai, the Hungarian novelist, gives the following birth places of certain diseases:

Scarlet fever came from China.
Influenza from Russia.
Cholera from Hindustan.
Smallpox from the Saracens.
Yellow fever from South America.
The plague from Turkey.

A DAILY MAGAZINE

SPRING SHIRT WAISTS.

Dainty waist of pink striped batiste with white batiste yoke edged with embroidery. The sleeves are puffed and tucked, the front are edged with the white embroidery. The yoke effect is used in the back also, the waist itself has a seam in the center back, the straps meeting and forming inverted V-shaped points. The second waist is of white percale with heliotrope stripes. The seam is directly on the shoulder and the sleeves cut in dress shape. There is no yoke in the back.

COMPARING NOTES.

Mrs. Jones: My husband is the light of my life.

Mrs. Smith: So is mine. One of the kind that smokes and goes out nights.

A FEW LINES.

Mr. Sometimes a few lines will cause a woman no end of worry.

Mary: Yes; especially if they happen to be in her face.

A SLOW PAIR.

Her lover proposes!
After he knows she says
When his love she declares!
"It's so sudden," she says.

But the folks all declare
As this momentous stage
He's held out a week
So did have fled of age.

—Louisville Times.

MILLIONS OF MEN UNDER ARMS.

A French statistician states that the total number of men permanently under arms is 4,000,000. If universal war broke out there would be 44,500,000 men ready to take up arms at once. Placed in one file, the soldiers of the world could cover the equator right around the earth.

WHAT HAPPENED TO JONES.

He: I beg pardon. But—er—I did not quite catch the name.

She: Miss Pinkmontmorency.

He: Thanks. What a pretty name! and so euphonious.

She (coquettish): Did you think I was called Jones?

He (frosty): A pardon—but—er—my father is Jones.—Collier's Weekly.

HER PET AVERSION.

Suitor: You dearest, I will always love thee alone.

Bride: I hope so. Willie, because I should hate to have you love me before a room full of company.—Collier's Weekly.

BUTTERFLIES ARE KEPT AS PETS.

"Butterflies as pets? Yes; it sounds strange, does it not?" said a lover of insects recently. "But I know of several persons who have kept them for weeks. One woman of my acquaintance fed her delicate-winged pet on sugar and water and the effect was disastrous, the poor little butterfly became intoxicated."

HOUSEKEEPING ON NARROW MEANS.

Post-Dispatch Readers Discuss the Problem of Married Life on $40 or $50 a Month.

Questions for the Young Man.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.

If he thinks of housekeeping, let the young man answer these questions:

Can he boil a potato?

How many poor kin have I?

How many poor kin has she?

What does she know about economical housekeeping?

How often would the doctor come at $2 a visit?

How often should we have to go to the drug store?

How many hearty visitors would we have per annum?

How much church dues would we have?

How often would we go to amusements?

Would we wait all the comforts that we see our neighbors have?

Could we give our children the care and education to which all children are entitled?

How much does my tobacco and beer cost me annually?

How many new hats and new gowns would she need every year?

How many suits ought I to have for myself?

St. Louis. R. E. ALLITY.

More Particulars Wanted.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.

I think "Yours Truly" failed to keep a strict account of his expenses when he says they were less than $600 a year. What we want is itemized accounts. I have tried to dispose of his $40 per month as nearly as I could from his letter. I shall be glad to have him make the necessary corrections.

Rent, $17; girl, $6; gas (fuel and illuminating), $1.50; hard coal, $5; new rent in prominent church, $5; "Tony Faust's," newspapers and magazines, $1; milk, $1; meat and groceries, setting a "beautiful table," $12; car fare, $3; laundry, $1; "amusements," $1; total, $52. This leaves $36 per year out which the wife "dresses handsomely" and the husband appears as a "well-dressed business man." This also must include doctor's bills, insurance (which every married man should have), replenishing of household linens, china and furniture. The husband should have a hair cut once a month. These are a few of the mysteries I am deeply interested in this discussion and hope it will continue.

"TEN YEARS MARRIED."

St. Louis.

For a Rainy Day.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.

I have read the letter signed "One Who Knows It All." In replying would say, my husband makes $60 per month. We live in four-room flat at $14 per month, wear good clothes, go out and entertain some. We have put $2 in the bank almost every month in the eight years past. If you expect to have money, you must look ahead for a rainy day and when you get to an age when you cannot make money you will have enough to keep you in comfort. Forty dollars per month house rent, two or three servants, when depending on $40 or $600 per month, will never do.

MRS. TWENTY YEARS EXPERIENCE.

St. Louis.

For the Anxious Bachelor.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.

We see no reason why $40 per month won't answer the purpose if the would-be wife is any kind of a helpmate and what if you don't have everything imaginable in your house as long as it is comfortable and cozy? For, "He if ever so humble, there's no place like home."

Now, "bachelor friend," take our advice, and if you truly love the maiden, whom you contemplate marrying, run the risk of living on $40 per month, and I am sure she will be willing, if she loves you, to be economical and help you all she can.

As far the "E. and O. E." are concerned, you can make an allowance for that late article, and as for the cradles, I don't think it would be necessary to purchase one every year.

If you wait until you get a fortune, before marrying, perhaps "Your sweet-voiced bird will have flown" and then what will all of your fortune amount to?

If you are wise, you will follow the dictates of your own heart, and you doubt it will tell you to choose a wife whom you can love and cherish—thus leading you to a much happier fate than if you had waited for a rich one until it was too late.

From two who wish you well. S-H-E.

St. Louis.

Get the Right Kind of Wife.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.

I have read the advice in this discussion, telling young men not to get married on $40 and $50 per month salary. I say marry. I am married 10 years. My husband's salary is $65 a month. We are three in family, dress well. I make my own dresses, trim my own hats, have three rooms well furnished and the whole house comfortably heated. We dit well. I do all my own baking. We pay $10 rent per month. My husband belongs to one lodge, and we are insured. I go out and entertain my friends, and we have money saved. Young men, don't be afraid to get married on $40 per month. There is no such thing as can't be done if you get the right wife.

St. Louis. A GOOD ADVISER.

IN BOERLAND.

Still Gen. Cronje
Is running one,
O'er mountain, dale and kopje!
Swift is his flightie,
By day and nightie
I wonder when he'll stopje!

He's running limberly
Away from Kimberley;
His heart goes flippity-flopje,
As he skims onje
Before the dawnje,
As thirsty as a copje.

At Bloemfonteinje
He will finje
The Boers are still on topje,
And Kelly-Kenny
Won't be so many
When Cronje makes a stopje.

Oh, there's no doubtje
He'll be worn outje
And faint upon some kopje,
Unless Oom Paulje
Shall make a callje
And order him to stopje!

Still Gen. Cronje
Is sprinting onje,
O'er mountain, dale and kopje.
But on this Boerje,
Stuff I'm soreje,
And I am going to stopje.

Post-Dispatch Poet.

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE.

(This column is open to everybody who has a complaint to make, a grievance to ventilate, information to give or a subject of general interest to discuss of a public character to acknowledge. All who can put the idea into the fewest words possible. Letters from persons seeking employment cannot be given place in this column.)

To Risk Life or Freeze.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.

On Friday morning about 9:30 o'clock another man and myself signaled a car at Grand avenue. My friend boarded the car before it reached the crossing and while in motion. Almost instantly the conductor rang the bell and left me stumbling on the crossing. I attempted to get on the car while in motion, under such circumstances and got injured in doing so, would the company be liable?

Which would, if another car—the third—occurred to me, would it be wiser to risk life by getting on the fast moving car or almost freeze to death at a street corner? The latter was very disagreeable on a cold day like yesterday. If there is any remedy for such an outrage I would like to hear from interested parties.

St. Louis. CITIZEN.

Our Street Car Service.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.

The general public heartily favors the recent bill on behalf of the strap passenger. There should be another to curb the officiousness and indifference of many gentlemanliness in the conductor. I understand that such things are under the control of the city clerks.

Here is an example: Conductor 1217 on the Grand avenue line allowed four men to get on to his car at Grand and Manchester, but with entirely unasked for haste, jerked the bell and left behind, standing in the terrible cold of Saturday night, a woman who had already been waiting so long on the exposed corner that she was in great physical distress. When asked why he had done so, his very gentlemanly reply was: "We tend to our own business in this battle."

I and many others are asking the question: "Whose business does it come most nearly being that of the public or of the street railway company? And we want a reply.

St. Louis. A CITIZEN.

Dark Suspicions.

From the Denver Evening Post.

The Desplaines River has begun to back up and is sending the Chicago drainage back to that city. There are dark suspicions that the St. Louisans have put a jack-screw under the lower end of the stream.

WHEN KNIGHTHOOD WAS IN FLOWER

BY CHARLES MAJOR (EDWIN CASKODEN)

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"WHEN KNIGHTHOOD WAS IN FLOWER"

Is one of the most remarkable literary successes of recent years. It affords that shock of pleasure which always comes of a good historical story, enthusiastically told, and of a pretty love drama, frankly and joyously presented.

Nearly a quarter of a million copies of the book have been sold, it has been translated into French and German, and is now being dramatized for Julia Marlowe.

The Post-Dispatch, having arranged for the exclusive right to republish it, congratulates its readers on the literary treat in store for them.

CHAPTER X.

Lady Mary Decides to Accompany Brandon to Spain.

THE treaty had been agreed upon, and as to the international arrangement, at least, the marriage of Louis de Valois and Mary Tudor was a settled fact. All it needed was the consent of an 18-year-old girl.

Wolsey, whose manner was smooth as an otter's coat, had been sent to fetch the needed "yes."

Said he: "Louis is old and feeble; he cannot live long, it may be that you can, by a ready consent now, exact a promise from your brother to allow you your own choice in the event of a second marriage. Louis XII. will not live a year; let me carry to the King your consent, and I guarantee you his promise as to a second marriage."

In an instant Mary's eyes shot fire, and her face was like the blackest storm-cloud. "Carry this to the King. That I will see him and the whole kingdom sunk in hell before I will marry Louis of France. That is my answer once and for all. Good even, Master Wolsey." And she swept out of the room with head up and dilating nostrils.

Henry then sent Wolsey to tell her that the 15th day of August had been fixed upon as the day of the marriage. De Longueville to act as the French king's proxy, and Wolsey was glad to come off with his life.

Mary would not speak to the King; Wolsey was good enough to keep out of her way, and she flew at Brandon upon the slightest provocation.

We had two or three four little meetings of forty, dangerous as they were, at which Mary, feeling that each time she saw Brandon might be the last, would sit and look at him with glowing eyes that in turn scorched and burned. We spoke, Mary did not talk much, but devoted all her time and energy to looking with her whole soul. Never before or since was there a girl so much in love. A young girl thoroughly in love is the most beautiful object in all creation, even in nature. Imagine, then, what it made of Mary!

Trouble began in earnest with the discovery of our meetings in Lady Mary's parlor and they at once put an end to them.

Mary could not endure caution, so she did the worst thing possible. She went alone, one afternoon, into my room to see Brandon at our rooms. I was not there when she came, but, having seen her on the way, suspected something and followed, arriving two or three minutes after her. I knew at once that I ought to be present, and we saw Brandon we'd wish it. When I entered they were holding each other's hands in the middle of the room.

Upon my entrance she dropped his hands and turned quickly toward me with a frightened look, but was reassured upon seeing who it was. Brandon mechanically walked away from her and seated himself on a stool. Mary, as mechanically, moved to his side and placed her hand on his shoulder. Turning her face toward me, she said: "Sir Edwin, I know you will forgive me when I tell you that we have a great deal to say and wish to be alone."

I was about to go when Brandon stopped me.

"No, no, Caskoden, please stay—it would not do. It would be bad enough, God knows, if the princess should be found here with both of us; but, with me alone, I should be dead before morning. There is danger enough as it is, for they will watch us."

Mary knew he was right, but she could not resist a vicious little glance toward me, who was in no way to blame.

Presently we all moved into the window-way, where Brandon and Mary sat upon the great cloak and I on a camp-stool in front of them, completely filling up the little passage.

"I can bear this no longer," exclaimed Mary. "I will go to my brother to-night and tell him all—I will tell him how I love, and that I shall die if you are allowed to go away and leave me forever.

"Mary, would you like to see me a corpse before to-morrow noon?" he asked.

"Why do you ask such a dreadful question?"

"Because if you wish to make sure of it, do what you have just said."

After a few minutes her face brightened, and she asked Brandon what ship he would sail in for New Spain, and whence.

"We sail in the Royal Hind, from Bristol, in about a fortnight," he replied.

"How many go out in her, and are there any women?"

"No! no!" he returned; "no woman could make the trip; and, besides, on ships of that sort, half pirate, half merchant, they do not take women. The sailors are superstitious about it and will not sail with them. They say they bring bad luck."

"How does one procure passage?" inquired Mary.

"By calling with the captain, a man named Bradburst, at Bristol, where the ship is now lying. But why do you ask?"

"Oh! I only wanted to know."

She sat in silence for a time, and then abruptly broke into one of my sentences—she was always interrupting me as if I were a parrot.

"I have been thinking and have made up my mind what I will do, and you shall not dissuade me. I will go to New Spain with you."

"But that would be impossible, Mary," said Brandon, into whose face this new evidence of her regard had brought a beaming look; "utterly impossible. To begin with, no woman could stand the voyage, not even you, strong and vigorous as you are."

"Oh! but it can be done; never doubt it. I will go, not as a woman, but as a man. To-morrow I will send to Bristol a sum of money asking a separate room in the ship for a young nobleman who wishes to go to New Spain incognito, and will go aboard just before the ship sails. I will buy a man's complete outfit, and will practice being a man before you and Sir Edwin."

Brandon held his face in his hands, and then looking up said: "It is only a vision of your happiness, and had it the reality of your happiness, it would be, yet I fear and your life over there would be, yet I believe it would be better than life with Louis of France. If you wish to go, I will try to take you, though I die in the attempt."

The next step was to procure the gentleman's wardrobe for Mary. This was a little troublesome at first, for, of course, she could not be measured in the regular way. We managed to overcome the difficulty by having Jane take the measurements under instructions received from the tailor, which instructions, together with the cloth, Jane took to the fractional little man who did my work.

Mary's vanity was delighted with her elegant trousseau, for of course it must be of the finest. She paraded for an hour or so before Jane, and as she became accustomed to the new garb, and as the steel reflected a most beautiful image, she determined to show herself to Brandon and life.

Once having determined, she wasted no time about it, but throwing a long cloak over her shoulders started for our rooms with angry, weeping, protesting Jane at her heels.

When I heard the knock I was sure it was the girls.

I admitted them and when the door was shut Mary undisclosed the brooch at her throat and the great cloak fell at her feet, and she stepped with a little laugh of delight, clothed in doublet, hose, and confusion—the prettiest picture mortal eyes ever rested on. Her hat, something on the broad, flat style with a single white plume encircling the crown, was of purple velvet trimmed in gold braid and touched here and there with precious stones. Her doublet was of the same purple velvet as her hat, trimmed in lace and gold braid. Her short trunks were of heavy black silk slashed by yellow satin, with hose of lavender silk; and her little shoes were of russet French leather. Quite a rainbow you will say—but such a rainbow!

Fine feathers will not make fine birds, and Mary's masculine attire could no more make her look like a man than harness can disguise the graces of a gazelle. Nothing could conceal her intense, exquisite womanhood. With our looks of astonishment and admiration Mary's blushes deepened.

"What is the matter? Is anything wrong?" she asked.

"Nothing is wrong," answered Brandon, smiling in spite of himself; "nothing on earth is wrong with you, you may be sure. You are perfect—that is, for a woman. But if you flatter yourself that you, in any way, resemble a man you are mistaken."

"How can that be?" asked Mary, in comical tribulation.

"Well," returned Brandon, "if you will permit me to say so, your arm is entirely too symmetrical and shapely ever to pass for a man. As to your feet, you might find larger shoes, or, better still, jack-boots; and, as to your hose, you might wear longer trunks, but what to do about the doublet I am sure I do not know."

Mary looked up helpless and forlorn, and the hot face went into her bended elbow as a realization of the situation seemed to dawn upon her.

"Oh! I wish I had not come. I believe I could bear it more easily with any one else. I did not think of it in that way," and she snatched her cloak from where it had fallen on the floor and threw it around her.

Then dropping on her knee beside him she said coaxingly:

"Don't give up; you are a man; you must not surrender, and let me, a girl, prove the stronger. Oh! why am I not different; I wish I were as straight as the queen," and for the first time in her life she bewailed her beauty, because it stood between her and Brandon.

She soon coaxed him out of his despondency, and we began to plan the matter in detail.

After we had settled everything we could think of, the girls took their leave; Mary slyly kissing Brandon at the door.

(To Be Continued To-morrow.)

MARY UNCLASPED THE BROOCH AT HER THROAT AND THE GREAT CLOAK FELL AT HER FEET.

DIED FROM A BROKEN NECK

Christian Schmidt Vindicated the Medical Books, Although He Survived Three Weeks.

Christian Schmidt has vindicated the medical books that say a man with a broken neck cannot live. He died at the City Hospital early Tuesday morning.

His case is one of the most interesting treated by Dr. Nietert. On Feb. 1, while in his barn in the rear of his home at 1111 North High street, Schmidt was injured by a bale of hay dropping from the loft and striking him on the head.

He was found unconscious by a member of his family. At the City Hospital it was discovered that his neck had been broken at the third and fourth vertebrae. He was expected to die within a few hours. He remained unconscious for days and then started the surgeons by speaking rationally. His improvement was marked from then, and though books and precedent foreshadowed his death, the injured man continued to improve. After a while he was considered so much better that he was removed from the critical ward downstairs among the convalescents. Surgeons freely expressed a strong hope of his recovery and the establishment of a novel precedent.

During the last week the tide turned, and where the days marked improvement before they now saw him sink under the strain. Monday he was very low, and though carefully attended during the night, he died at 4:30 o'clock Tuesday morning.

BRIEF NEWS ABOUT TOWN

Items of Interest Condensed for the Convenience of Busy Readers of the Post-Dispatch.

With Kelly-Kenny at the front
The Irish lad's not lost
For victory when reinforced
By Gen. Young Boston.

St. James Church Euchre.—A euchre for the benefit of St. James' Church of North Clifton Heights will be given Monday evening, Feb. 26, at March' Hall, Sarah street and Manchester avenue, at 8 p. m. sharp. Gentlemen's first prize is a diamond cuff button. Ladies' first prize, a gold watch and 40 prizes valued from $2 to $5 each. Suburban red cars to Clifton Avenue division and Marks street yellow cars.

Visitors From Boston.—Mr. and Mrs. Mason Moffitt of Boston are in the city visiting friends on Olive street.

Hospital at Home.—The annual meeting of the German Evangelical Lutheran Hospital and Orphan Home Association was held Monday and the following officers were elected: Henry F. Mueller, president; Conrad Kellermann, vice-president; H. Bartels, secretary; F. Quirl, treasurer; and H. Schenkel, cashier.

Snatched a Purse.—An unidentified man snatched a purse containing a check for $20, a small amount of money and an opal ring valued at $35 from Miss Ray Greiner of 815 North Nineteenth street Sunday night.

Three Toes Amputated.—Mrs. Nora Hines, 21 years old, and living at 619 South Broadway, was taken to the City Hospital Monday suffering from a crushed foot. Her foot got caught in a printing press at the plant of the Mound City Printing Co. Three of the toes were amputated.

Died in Old Mexico.—James A. Henderson, who left St. Louis a year ago for Old Mexico, died at San Luis Potosi Monday. The remains will be brought to St. Louis for burial. He was a brother of Manager Henderson of the Linden Hotel.

Delmar Men's Club.—The second meeting of the Delmar Men's Club, recently organized for the discussion of current events, was held at the Delmar Avenue Baptist Church Monday night. The subject under discussion was "The Highest Type of American Citizenship."

Spring Trade Brisk.—Merchants from the Southwest arrived in St. Louis Monday in large numbers and nearly 200 registered at Beaucarters of the Interstate Merchants' Association. Washington avenue was crowded all day and merchants say the spring trade will break all records.

An Imaginary House.—A judgment was rendered Monday in Justice Walker's court against T. K. Bowman, a traveling salesman, for $42, and evicting him from a house at 7129 Winona avenue. After judgment had been rendered Bowman said the court had no jurisdiction, as the suit was an imaginary one and that in reality the number where he lived was 7128. The eviction was thus rendered worthless.

New Engine Company.—A new fire engine company was organized Monday. The new company will be located in the No. 15 engine house, 3935 South Broadway, composed of the following: Adam Wirth, foreman; John Angeo, assistant foreman; August Bayers, engineer; Frank Kuhn, Max Meyers, Thomas and Charles Clark, drivers; George Hocker, William Flowers and William McKenzie, firemen.

Peered Through the Window.—Mrs. John Dring, Jr., was frightened from her home Monday night on Woodland avenue by a man who came to the window and peered through the window at her. She returned later with her husband, but the negro had disappeared.

"Big Four Route" to Cincinnati. Finest service, track and equipment.

MAY EXPEL BRANDENBURGER.

Jefferson Club Has Preferred Formal Charges of Heresy.

Charges were filed Monday night with Secretary O. G. Mallard of the Jefferson Club against W. A. Brandenburger, treasurer and a director of the club.

Notice of the charges was served on Mr. Brandenburger Tuesday morning and he will be given 10 days in which to answer them. The charges are signed by Clinton Gallagher, Thad W. Harris and Andrew J. Butler, the constitution requiring that they must be vouched for by at least that number before the directorate can take cognizance of them.

As outlined in the Post-Dispatch several days ago, the charges against Mr. Brandenburger are the outgrowth of his alliance with the Meriwether movement, and certain utterances of his at a meeting of the Meriwether people at Bowman's Hall Feb. 9. The charges open by stating that Mr. Brandenburger has allied himself with an organization which is antagonistic to the Jefferson Club, the purposes of which is to bolt from the Democratic platform and nominees.

Mr. Brandenburger is accused of using the following language at the Bowman Hall meeting:

I am a member of the Jefferson Club, and for three years I have been on its Board of Directors for the same period I have been its treasurer. I speak advisedly when I say that as hope for nothing from the men high up in political parties. We must make our demands, and they must fall in line. It is sugar-coated bear them talk. I sit in their councils and exact to abuse. No party which does not declare for these reforms shall receive our support.

It is then charged that Mr. Brandenburger voted for a resolution that no political party should be supported by those present unless it declared for the reforms they advocate.

Mr. Brandenburger is charged with using the following language in a published interview:

"The Jefferson Club is a one-man organization, and run in the interest of politicians, and not for the principles of Democracy."

The charges close with the following statement:

In making these charges we desire it to be expressly understood that we do not deny any citizen or Democrat the right to think as he pleases, or to attack the theories held by Mr. Brandenburger. Whether his doctrines are right or wrong is not the question. But we do contend that, having publicly taken the position that unless the Democratic party adopts his ideas he will withdraw from it, he owes to the exclusion of and makes them the sole issue to the exclusion of all others, he will go over to the Republican party or some other party, he should not remain in the secret councils of the Jefferson Club Association.

Mothers will find Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup the best remedy for their children.

DR. LLOYD IN MORE TROUBLE.

Magazine Publisher Visited by Two Persistent Deputy Constables.

Attachment papers for $30.61 were served Monday on the Superior Coal Co., of which Dr. H. C. Lloyd is president, in favor of the Tirro Coal Co. Deputy Constables Ringo and Ridge of Justice Walker's court were the process servers, and they were forced to exercise all their ingenuity before they could reach Dr. Lloyd. A watchman was placed in charge of the office, and Dr. Lloyd left to see his lawyers, who filed a bill of exemption.

Dr. Lloyd is now out on bond, pending trial in the United States Circuit Court. He published a monthly magazine called "The Bachelor." The wording of his advertisements and his methods of handling the business led to his indictment on charges of postal authorities and his subsequent arrest on two occasions. Later a fraud order was issued, by which he was prevented from receiving any mail under the name of the "Bachelor Publishing Co." He resides in Cabanne.

For Wednesday.

GRAND LEADER

Broadway and Washington.

Special store-crowding hour items that will again draw intelligent, economical women to "The Fastest Growing Store in America."

From 8 to 10 A. M.

Flannelettes—Extra good Outing Flannels in light colored stripes and checks, for night gowns, shirts, etc.; worth 7½c—in basement from 8 to 10, at ... 4c

Laces—Remnants and odd lengths of slightly soiled Laces and Embroideries—from 1 to 3 yards—worth up to 15c per yard—Wednesday, from 8 to 10, per length ... 5c

Lawn—One case of good 40-inch White Apron Lawn, with satin border, and worth at least 10c—Wednesday, from 8 to 10, in basement, per yard ... 5c

Table Covers—90 dozen 15-8 size Turkey red and green Table Covers—worth at least 90c—Wednesday, in basement, from 8 to 10, each ... 50c

Percale—Pretty Dress and Shirting Percales, in red and white or blue and white—actually worth 10c—in basement, from 8 to 10, Wednesday, per yard ... 5c

Notions—9 yards good Whalebone Casing, or 6 dozen White or Black Hooks and Eyes—choice from 8 to 10 Wednesday, for ... 5c

Hammers—Nickel-plated Tack Hammers, with polished handles—regular price 15c—on 4th floor, Wednesday, from 8 to 10, at ... 5c

Lace Curtains—Odd Nottingham and Scotch Lace Curtains, of full size, in laces, dainty patterns or heavy French Guipure designs—some a trifle damaged, others perfect and worth up to $2.00 per pair—from 8 to 10 Wednesday, on 3d floor, per curtain ... 15c

Sheeting—Splendid quality heavy unbleached Sheeting, 2½ yards wide, and worth 27½c—Wednesday, from 8 to 10, in basement, per yard ... 19c

Men's Shirts—Unlaundered White Shirts, reenforced back and front, and with 4-ply linen bosoms—regular 50c shirts—from 8 to 10 Wednesday, each ... 29c

Night Gowns—Ladies' hubbard style Muslin Gowns, with high or V-shaped necks—trimmed with embroidery and tucks—actually worth 59c—Wednesday from 8 to 10, on 2d floor, 3 for $1.00, or each ... 35c

Velour—Black satin striped Moire Velour, a very durable silk, especially adapted for dress skirts and petticoats—regular price 69c—Wednesday from 8 to 10, in Silk Department, per yard ... 29c

Girls' Dresses—For ages 6 to 14 years, made of all-wool material in checks, plaids, solid colors and stripes, all prettily trimmed and really worth up to $2.50—choice from 8 to 10, on 2d floor, at ... 98c

Dress Patterns—7 yards of 40-inch black Camel's Hair Suiting, in small designs and well worth $2.75—Wednesday, from 8 to 10, only one to a customer, at, per pattern ... $1.50

From 10 to 12 A. M.

Plates—Good White Porcelain Dinner Plates, really worth $1.25 per dozen—Wednesday, from 10 to 12, on fourth floor, each ... 5c

Thread—King's Machine Thread in black or white—all numbers—in spools containing 200 yards—special from 10 to 12 Wednesday, 4 spools for ... 5c

Muslin—Good quality yard-wide soft-finish Bleached Muslin, factually worth 8c—Wednesday, from 10 to 12, in basement, per yard ... 5c

Handkerchiefs—Ladies' fine Swiss Handkerchiefs, hemstitched, embroidered or with lace insertion and edges—regular 10c and 12½c qualities—from 10 to 12 Wednesday, each ... 5c

Madras—Fine quality 34-inch Fancy Shirting Madras, in narrow pink stripes—worth fully 15c—from 10 to 12 Wednesday, in basement, per yard ... 7½c

Soap—10 gross of genuine Cosmo Buttermilk Toilet Soap—usually sold at 25c for box of three cakes—Wednesday, from 10 to 12, per box ... 17c

Squares—Plain Linen Hemstitched Squares and Scarfs, of various sizes and well worth up to 75c—choice from 10 to 12, Wednesday, in basement, at ... 19c

Skirts—Children's Umbrella Style Cambric Skirts—ages 2 to 8 years—hemstitched and with cambric ruffle—really worth 59c—Wednesday, from 10 to 12, on 2d floor, each ... 25c

Embroideries—Handsome Embroidery Flounces and All-Overs, of Swiss and Nainsook in Irish point effects—regular 75c qualities—from 10 to 12 Wednesday, per yard ... 49c

Long Cloth—Fine 36-inch English Long Cloth, made especially for Grand Leader in 12-yard pieces—worth $1.25—from 10 to 12, in basement—12 yards for ... 89c

Window Shades—Best Oil Finish Opaque Window Shades—38 in. x 7 ft.—these will never fade and are mounted on spring rollers, with fixtures complete—worth 75c—Wednesday, on 3d floor, from 10 to 12—each ... 25c

Boys' Suits—Pretty little Vestee Suits for boys of 3 to 8 years, made of all-wool cheviot in new jaunty styles, well worth $3.00—only one to a customer Wednesday—from 10 to 12, each ... $1.45

Ladies' Skirts—Of handsome Camel's Hair Plaids, in black and white, blue and white, gray and white or brown and white, lined with good percaline and worth fully $3.00—on second floor, from 10 to 12, each ... $1.50

Skirt Pattern—3½ yards of 54-inch All-Wool Homespun, in solid colors and black, worth fully $3.00—Wednesday, from 10 to 12, per pattern ... $1.75

JOHNSON BROS.'

BIG FIRE SALE RAGING!

To our thousands of friends who were unable to gain admittance to our store Monday and to-day, we wish to say we have some of our

Choicest Bargains that will go on Sale To-Morrow, Wednesday Morning.

Genuine Castile Soap, 4-pound bars ... 39c
25c Enamel Playing Cards ... 10c
Waltke's Turkish Bath Soap, 3c; dozen ... 32c
Faber's 10c Lead Pencils, 3c; dozen ... 30c
Waltke's Figaro Soap ... 3c
25c Goodyear's Hard Rubber Combs ... 8c
Velvet Cream, Labels soiled only ... 8c

And a hundred other big bargains.

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TEETH EXTRACTED WITHOUT PAIN.

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SET OF TEETH...$3.00 GOLD FILLINGS...$1 up
Best Teeth (S.S.W) 5.00 SILVER FILLINGS...50c
22k GOLD CR'NS 4.00 BRIDGEWORK...$4.00

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SOUTH AFRICAN ROMANCE.

Olive Schreiner's love story will be printed in the next Sunday Post-Dispatch. She wrote "The Story of an African Farm" and published it under the pen name Ralph Iron. She is of South Africa, was born and bred there. Her brother is Premier of Cape Colony and a staunch supporter of the Boers. She is using all the power that is in her, all her genius to aid the cause of the Boers.

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She writes a beautiful love story—tender, sweet and intensely human. She wrote "Trooper Peter Halket," which is not a love story, but with the taste of sentiment will be told in the next Sunday Post-Dispatch a secret about Peter Halket.

AMUSEMENTS.

WED. MAT. 25c and 50c. CENTURY. MR. LOUIS MANN and MISS CLARA LIPMAN in "THE GIRL IN THE BARRACKS." Regular Mat. Saturday. Next Sunday—"Children of the Ghetto."

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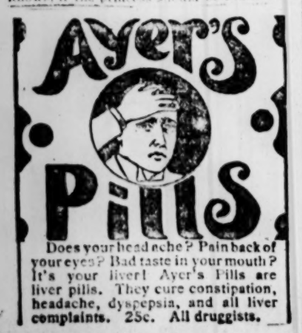

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SPORTS OF THE DAY

SHARKEY A WONDER.

QUICK VICTORIES OVER GODDARD AND JEFFORDS.

THE WEEK'S BOXING MATCHES.

They Include Meetings Between Denfass and Root and Choynski and Walcott.

It is only a few months since Jim Jeffries and Tom Sharkey met and that the latter claimed to have sustained a fractured rib and all that sort of think.

Those close to the ring at the conclusion of the Coney Island fight never believed in the broken rib story and do not believe it now.

Only the other day Sharkey whipped as stalwart a pugilist as Joe Goddard in jig time.

Monday night Sharkey met big Jim Jeffords, the California pugilist, at Detroit and beat the life out of him in two rounds.

He beat him so badly, indeed, that many think Jeffords quit just to escape punishment.

These victories over Goddard and Jeffords give the lie to the statement made after the Jeffries-Sharkey fight, to the effect that the sailor had sustained a broken rib and that sort of thing. No man with a broken rib mending could a few months later have fought as Sharkey has been fighting recently. The story of the broken rib was probably told to induce Jeffries to enter the ring again with Sharkey, something a great many say he will never do.

The man Jeffords, defeated by Sharkey Monday night, is no spring chicken. He has fought many of the best heavyweights on the Coast, including Ruhlin, and did very well against them. He was very anxious to make a great showing against Sharkey on Monday night, for if he did that he would be sure of matches with heavyweights like Childs, Armstrong and Conroy. His defeat this time before has been a bitter one and it is likely that instead of quitting he was fairly and squarely defeated.

Plenty of boxing matches are on the taps for this week. This Tuesday evening at Tattersall's, in Chicago, these battles will be brought off:

Jack Root vs. E. Denfass, Dal Hawkins vs. "Young" Kenny, Tommy White vs. Oscar Gardner, Jack Madden vs. Benny Yanger, all six rounds, Tattersall's Athletic Club, Chicago.

Testimony to George Dixon, Broadway Athletic Club, New York.

Tim Callahan vs. Eddie Lenny, six rounds, Philadelphia.

On Friday night these contests take place at Chicago:

Otto Siefoff vs. "Young" Cleary, Star Theater, Chicago.

Joe Choynski vs. Joe Walcott, Broadway Athletic Club, New York.

Of course the most important of the above contests will be that between Denfass, who recently defeated Billy Stift at Chicago, and Root.

The fact that Root has never received as bad an a draw in the 20 fights he has been in and the general belief that Denfass has never been fully extended in his present form makes the go a guessing proposition. There is not much betting on the result, although Root's manager has offered to lay several thousand dollars on his man. Both men quit training yesterday afternoon and they are said to be in splendid shape. Root has worked down to 159 pounds, which is a low figure for him.

Great fighter that he is, Terry McGovern, or, to be more exclusive, his manager, Sam Harris, is following in the footsteps of other ring celebrities and claims too much. Bold Terry is heralded as the bantam and feather-weight champion, although he has no right to the bantam title. When he fought Pedlar Palmer it was advertised as for the bantam championship, but as the weight was 126 pounds, sporting authorities contended themselves with saying that it was for the 126-pound championship, and let it go at that. The weight limit in all classes has actually been stretched, but due allowance is made when 112 is granted the bantam limit, and Steve Flanagan, the little Philadelphian, is right when he insists that McGovern has no claim on bantam honors. Flanagan can fight at 105 and is willing to take any man on who can do 112 or under, and as he defeated Casper Leon, the man who fought three draws with Champion Jimmy Barry before the latter retired, Flanigan is the boy they will have to beat to be acknowledged bantam-weight champion.

DUFFY FOR BOSTON.

There Is No Intention of Letting Him Go to the New York.

BOSTON, Feb. 20.—Manager Selee says: "There is not a particle of foundation for saying that Duffy will be sent to New York. The Boston Club would have no more right to send a player to New York than to Chicago.

"Two years ago," continued Selee, "New York was looking about for a manager, and the position was offered to me. It was suggested by some one that Duffy take charge of the Boston Club while I went to New York, and I talked the matter over with the captain, and he finally agreed that we would both stay in Boston."

Selee is anxious to keep his great trio together for a while yet. Long, Nichols and Lowe came here with Selee just 10 years ago this spring, and never was there such a rich find in the baseball business. All are in good shape at the present time, and will prove valuable men for pennant-winners as Manager Selee hopes to have the coming season.

Madison Turf Exchange Reopens.

Trains leave foot of Olive street: 1 p. m., 1:30, 2, 2:30, 2:55, 3:20, 4, 4:25, 5:25, 6:25.

Questions Answered.

Subscriber.—There is no champion in that line we know of.

T. W.—Jeffrods and Ruhlin fought at San Francisco. Ruhlin was awarded the decision in five rounds.

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JOCKEY IKE MURPHY.

HIS OLD HOME AT LEXINGTON SOLD TO SATISFY A MORTGAGE.

GREAT RECORD ON THE TURF.

Three of the Historic Kentucky Derbies Were Won by the Most Famous of Race Riders.

The sale of the home and household effects of Isaac Murphy, the once famous jockey, at Lexington, Ky., last week wipes out all that is left of the man who for years was the premier jockey of the American turf.

When Murphy died at Lexington, Ky., he left his handsome home and property to his childless widow.

After his death she ran in debt and last week her home was sold to satisfy the mortgage written against it.

With the sale of the property is wiped out the only monument that remained of the once great rider.

The sale took place four years to a day from the time of Isaac's death. The luxurious living and generosity of Murphy made him a bankrupt in reality three years before he died from the effects of fast living and drink.

Isaac Murphy, or "the Black Archer," as he was called in the latter years of his life, began riding at an early age for R. J. Thomas of Lexington and others, and his fame spread so fast that he was soon able to command a yearly salary of from $1,500 to $5,000. He never bet, nor had he any bad habits until later in life, when the tide began turning against him. Then he yielded to the fondness for wine.

Murphy achieved his greatest fame when riding the horses of Edward Corrigan, and many claim his riding made the reputation of J. W. Rogers, who then worked for Pat Ed. Rogers was the trainer of Freeland, Modesty, Irish Pat, Pearl Jennings and a host of other good horses when Murphy, wearing the "green and white sash," was so often in front with them. With Modesty he won the American Derby, when it is conceded a less skillful rider would certainly have lost.

He rode Volante, owned by "Lucky" Baldwin. For winning for the second time the American Derby, Plunger Walton gave Murphy a handsome present. He had backed Volante against Favor, who was favorite at the post.

This was the same year in which Freeland and Miss Woodford ran their famous match race, in which Murphy, who piloted Freeland, clearly outclassed G. McLaughlin, who had the mount on Miss Woodford.

In 1886 Murphy again won the American Derby. This time it was with "Lucky" Baldwin's Silver Cloud. This race is said to have proven most clearly the value of a good jockey in a race, for Silver Cloud was known to be a counterfeit of the worst sort.

This was not Murphy's last win in the great race for in 1888, while still in the employ of Baldwin, he won with Emperor of Norfolk.

Murphy's riding of Salvator and Firenzi is familiar to all turfmen. His career stretched over a period of 15 years.

At Churchill Downs and at Lexington he rode many famous races. He won the Kentucky Derby three times, viz.: With Buchanan, in 1884; Riley, in 1890, and Kingman, in 1891.

Speaking of Murphy recently, Col. Jack Chinn, the well-known starter, said: "At St. Louis I asked him to ride my horse Dan Fox. Bankrupt had been sweeping everything before him. I asked him if he thought he could beat Bankrupt with Dan Fox the next day. 'What can your horse go the distance in?' he asked. I told him he could cover the three-quarters in 1:14½. 'If he can do it I can win,' he said. I knew he was the best judge of pace in the world, and asked him why he could win when it was known Bankrupt could cover the distance at that clip. He said: 'I will head him off, and when this is done Bankrupt will quit.' Murphy figured out how he wanted to ride the race, and, with the aid of our trainer, we marked the quarter and half for him, and he came under the wire in one of the most beautifully timed races I ever saw. The time was just 1:14½, and he covered every division of the race in precisely the time he allotted to do it in."

The last time Murphy ever rode a horse on the race track was in November, 1894. The "Derby Winner" Company of St. Louis was then playing at Lexington and among its stars was old Freeland, the horse Murphy had ridden in so many races. The fall race meeting was then in progress at Lexington and Murphy asked leave to ride Freeland in an exhibition race. The leave was granted and when Murphy, in the old Corrigan colors, green and white sash, and riding the "old boss," came out on the track they were given a genuine ovation. A year later Freeland died and a few days after Murphy was laid under the "blue grass." In St. Louis meetings of years ago it was no meeting at all unless Murphy and the Corrigan horses were reported at the track.

The third race at Tanforan Park on Tuesday promises to be a cracker-jack. It is at a mile and a half and these good horses are entered in it:

Rio Chico ..	103	Meadowthorpe ..	111
Aschwell ..	101	Hapkoungo ..	105
Tom Calvert ..	105	Chimera ..	102

With one exception all the races at New Orleans on Tuesday are at a mile and over. There are two races at a mile, one at a mile and an eighth, one at a mile and a quarter and one at two miles. In the two mile event these are the entries:

Eldorpha ..	97	School Girl ..	102
Momongah ..	99	Teutons ..	102

Eva Rice, who did nothing at St. Louis last summer but look out of her stable window, is raising the mischief at New Orleans recently. She won the handicap there on Monday from a good field.

WESTMINSTER KENNEL CLUB.

Its Annual Bench Show Opens at New York on Tuesday Morning.

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—The 24th annual bench show of the Westminster Kennel Club opened to-day at Madison Square Garden and will continue until midnight Friday.

There are more dogs on exhibition this year than ever.

In all, 2110 canines of 39 breeds are on exhibition.

These include the finest dogs of the country and some of the best of Europe.

Over 300 prizes will be given, in addition to many individual awards. A noteworthy fact in connection with the exhibit is the number of American dogs of fine breeding.

With the Bowlers.

Gus Bengel, one of the best bowlers at the three-pin game, tried his hand at the old sport again on Monday night and saw his side come out victorious by these figures:

RIALTOS.

Name.	C.	M.	1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	T'l.	Av.
Wessels	3	14	55	45	53	58	57	268	53 3-5
Becker	2	29	49	51	44	46	32	225	49
Bright	2	22	44	53	55	39	60	251	51 3-5
Hoffman	4	35	53	48	42	34	38	215	43
Niedringhaus	7	16	57	67	60	44	39	267	53 2-5
Totals	18	116	258	270	258	221	246	1253	50 3-25

MARQUETTES.

Name.	C	M	1	2	3	4	5	T'l.	Av.
Bengel	4	27	52	50	50	40	48	240	48
Schuette	9	42	56	40	29	46	29	180	36
McBride	8	34	57	44	39	47	37	224	44 4-5
Heimer	5	25	43	40	58	67	40	248	49 3-5
Hilger	8	36	32	40	31	48	58	209	41 4-5
Totals	34	164	220	214	207	248	212	1101	44 1-25

Inspector Dice Has Pneumonia.

Postoffice Inspector Dice is ill with pneumonia. The attack is not thought to be a severe one, but it will keep him from his desk at the Custom House several weeks.

THE DETROIT CLUB.

EFFORTS BEING MADE TO BRING THAT CRACK TEAM HERE.

GILLESPIE AND KINSELLA.

If Their Plans Carry the Crack Association Football Eleven Will Visit St. Louis Next Month.

Messrs. Gillespie and Kinsella, president and secretary of the Association Football League, called on Assistant General Passenger Agent Taylor of the Wabash Railway, Monday for the purpose of making arrangements to bring the crack Detroit Association Football team to St. Louis.

The plan is to bring the Detroit team here the last week in March or the first week in April and to put against it the best association teams now in St. Louis.

President Gillespie said, after his meeting with Mr. Taylor: "We are much encouraged at the liberal offer of the railroad company and it will probably result in the bringing of the Detroit eleven here. It is considered away the strongest association football eleven in American and its appearance here will stimulate interest in the game locally and teach our players a trick or two that will be of use when they hitch up with the Chicago team, next season.

"The regular season of the Association Football League will come to a close on Sunday, March 18, but after then we will play games with all the crack out-of-town teams in this section to come here. Beside the crack Detroits, we are in correspondence with the leading teams of Cincinnati, Detroit and other places, and before the middle of April of this year I live hope to meet them on the St. Louis field."

Tim McCarthy's great playing at half-back in last Sunday's game against the Shamrocks was the best seen in St. Louis this year. The first goal made by the West Ends was scored by McCarthy by a beautiful shot from the middle of the field. Tim was always considered a great half back and he is playing better ball now than ever.

Lawrence Riley refereed another good game last Sunday. Riley is considered by many the best referee seen at Athletic Park this season.

Mike Corcoran's playing last Sunday was something fierce. When in condition there is no better forward than Mike.

Brehme's great goal playing was again the feature of the Shamrocks and West Ends game Sunday. Brehme has been a wonder in the goal this season. Last year he was comparatively unknown.

On Wednesday evening the St. Teresa's Young Men's Sodality of St. Teresa's parish will give an entertainment and hop at Pickwick Hall, Jefferson and Washington avenues. Some of the best talent in the city has been secured to make the entertainment a grand success, after which dancing will be the feature until a late hour in the morning. The West End Football team, nearly all of them are members of St. Teresa Parish, will help make this entertainment a success.

The Olympics defeated the Victor Hellsby 6 to 1.

Caught on the Fly.

Duffy will stick to Boston.

Tebeau, Young, O'Connor and Cuppy are the only St. Louis players now at Hot Springs.

The American League folks continue to talk about putting an opposition team in Chicago.

Pittsburg is considered a top-notcher for the coming season and Boston, without Bergen, is given a place in the second division.

Tom Loftus says that Joe Quinn will surely cover second base for the St. Louis Club this season and claims to have inside information to that effect.

The latest report is to the effect that Baltimore will remain in the National League. McGraw and Robinson being afraid a three-foulids interest in that team by their friend, Hanlon.

Comiskey, who is in Chicago, has grown as big as Barnum's fat boy, and his old baseball friends in St. Louis would scarcely recognize him.

King Werden is coming all the way from Minneapolis to the Hot Springs. Perry will play with Minneapolis this season, providing that city retains a franchise in the American League.

Mrs. Vanderbeck, who bought the Detroit Club last Saturday, is the first lady to ever break into the baseball business.

There is some talk of dropping Montreal from the Eastern League and Frank Schelbeck, who played with the Canadian team two years, says it looks like a big mistake to figure on a circuit without that city. Schelbeck says Providence is one of the best baseball towns in the country and would support a team in a stronger league in handsome style, but with that one exception, Montreal is the best paying city in the Eastern League, and that, too, in spite of the fact that the sport is comparatively new there, in relation to the years that cities on this side of the border have enjoyed the national game. It has also been suggested that Buffalo may return to the Eastern League, but the American League magnates have no such idea and Franklin not only agreed to remain in this circuit two years, but has declared that he will not be put out, although there was no necessity for such a statement as no effort has been made to cut Buffalo out of the circuit.

FOR A WORTHY CAUSE.

Great Interest Taken in the Benefit Race at the Ice Palace.

Great interest is being taken in the benefit that will be tendered to Mrs. Henrietta Mebus, the widowed mother of Charles William Mebus, who was killed in the big North Broadway fire two weeks ago.

The benefit will take place at the Ice Palace next Thursday night.

An especially attractive programme has been arranged, and Messrs. Harry and Jack McCormick and George Munson are working like Trojans to make the affair a grand success.

The cause is a good one, and they hope to be able to hand Mrs. Mebus a snug sum next Friday morning.

The announcement that a fat man's race would take place at the benefit has aroused a great amount of interest among curiosity seekers. It will be the feature of the big programme.

Four prominent St. Louisans, who weigh 200 or more, have already entered the race and any other gentlemen anxious to try their ability as speed skaters can do so by sending their names and weight to George Munson, room 34, Insurance Building.

Col. E. C. Pope of the Chesapeake & Ohio, Jerry Hunt of the Chicago & Alton, Bryan Snyder of the Frisco Line and Edward Woodward of the Woodward & Tiernan Printing Co. have already entered, and there will certainly be some fun when they get after Dinks Parrish's handsome prize. Several other skating contests will be held on that occasion.

The Turners defeated the hockey team from Washington University at the Ice Palace last Monday night in a hard-fought game, by a score of 2 to 1.

Charles Johnson won the half mile speed race from James V. Johnston, after an exciting contest.

The obstacle race, which furnished the usual amount of fun, was won by John Amman from Ben Von Velzer, who had considerable trouble getting through the barrels.

PUBLIC SCHOOL BALL LEAGUE.

It Will Be Formed at a Meeting to Be Held in March.

Bentley Lyons, captain of the Divoll School Baseball Club, in a letter to the Post-Dispatch, says:

"I wish you would announce that all teams wishing membership in the Public School League should send in their applications for membership before March 1. I would like the meeting to take place on Saturday, March 3, at some place to be named by the Post-Dispatch in the sporting columns. This will enable us to start training the first week in March. I have already received one application for membership. It comes from the Crow School. Others will kindly send in their applications at once."

New Western League.

The new Western League Clubs announce three players as their claim list for 1906:

Denver—Fred Glade, Darkin Miller, Roger Bresnahan, Kid Mohler, Charles Riley, Tom Parrott, Kid Lewis, N. D. Hardesty, Elmer Meredith, Jack McConnell, Webster E. Logue, E. E. Smith and H. McNeecey.

Omaha—Ed Hove, E. Walker, McGeusland, Mayor of Sioux City, H. B. Taylor, John Lelesman, H. Burrell, Rube Lehman, S. Squiot, Theil, Jack O'Connell, Al Fisher, Mattie McVicker, Joe Dolan and Phil Glade.

Sioux City—M. O'Connor, M. Stanley, C. Marr, William Traffley, Lou Camp, Red Ehret, Charles McDonald, R. A. Kling, R. Frary and Jack Glassock.

Pueblo—Roy Scott, Kid Gear, P. Tifald, G. C. Ealrymple, Clark, J. R. Wagner, W. F. Woyne, C. D. Murphy, Jesse Hale, Thomas E. Clifford, Jerry Kane, Hodge Ferry, Robert Westlake and W. G. Bottemus.

Des Moines has not claimed any men yet, but it is the intention of the enthusiasts there to get Pete Lohman, who is captain of the London (Canada), team, to bring his club to Des Moines. However, this has not been fully decided upon.

WILL INTEREST EVERYBODY.

Or At Least Everyone Who Suffers From Catarrh.

Catarrh in its various forms is a national disease, and the fact that nearly everybody suffers from it more or less leads many to neglect its proper treatment.

Nasal catarrh is a common cause of headaches, destroys sense of smell and if neglected reaches the throat, causing impairment and sometimes total loss of voice. Bronchial catarrh leads easily to consumption. Catarrh of stomach and liver are very serious and obstinate troubles, while it is now generally admitted that catarrh is the most common of all causes of deafness.

All of the more serious forms of catarrh begin with nasal catarrh, the local symptoms being a profuse discharge, stoppage of nostrils, irritation and frequent clearing of the throat, sneezing, coughing and gagging.

The old style of treatment with douches, inhalers, sprays, salves, etc., simply give temporary relief and everyone who has used any of them knows how useless they are and their inconvenience is such that very few have the time or patience to continue their use.

A radical cure of catarrh can only be obtained from a treatment which removes the catarrhal taint from the blood because no one will now dispute that catarrh is a constitutional or blood disease, and local applications can have no effect except to temporarily relieve local symptoms.

A new remedy which has been remarkably successful in curing catarrh is a pleasant tasting tablet which is taken internally and acts upon the blood and mucous membranes.

It is composed of antiseptic remedies like Eucalyptol, Guaiacol, Sanguinaria, Hydrastin and similar cleansing specifics which eliminate the catarrhal poison from the system.

The tablets being pleasant to the taste, are dissolved in the mouth and thus reach the throat, trachea and finally the stomach and entire alimentary canal. They are sold by druggists everywhere under name of Stuart's Catarrh Tablets.

If desired, when there is much stoppage of the nose, the tablets may be dissolved in warm water and used as a douche in addition to internal use, but a douche is not at all necessary. A few dissolved in the mouth daily will be sufficient. Dr. Ainslee says: "The regular daily use of Stuart's Catarrh Tablets taken internally will cure the whole catarrhal trouble without resorting to the inconvenience of a douche or an inhaler."

They seem to give a healthy tone to the whole mucous membrane and it is really remarkable how soon they will clear the head and throat of the unnatural and poisonous catarrhal secretion.

Stuart's Catarrh Tablets is undoubtedly the safest, most palatable and certainly the most efficient and convenient remedy for any form of catarrh. It is sold by druggists at 50 cents for full sized treatment.

A little booklet on cause and cure of catarrh mailed free by addressing F. A. Stuart Co., Marshall, Mich.

The engineer misunderstood the signals and there was a frightful railroad collision, with terrible loss of life. The whole country was aspalled by that accident.

There is doubtless a far greater loss of life occurring every day, in various sections of the country, for which the only excuse is,—"the doctor didn't understand the symptoms." These cases are not the subjects of special inquest or the country would be aghast at the sacrifice of life to ignorance.

It has been the experience of Dr. R. V. Pierce and his staff of assistant physicians, that ninety-eight out of every hundred persons submitting to their treatment can be cured. People given up by the local physicians, weak, emaciated, with stubborn coughs and bleeding lungs have been absolutely cured by the use of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery.

Sick people are invited to consult Dr. Pierce by letter free. All letters are held as strictly private and treated as sacredly confidential. Answers are mailed in plain envelopes without any printing on them.

"Last spring I was taken with severe pains in my chest, and was so weak I could hardly walk about the house," says Mrs. G. E. Kerr, of Fort Dodge, Webster Co., Iowa. "I tried several physicians and they told me I had consumption. I heard of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery and I thought I would try some of it. Before I had taken the first bottle I was very much better; I took five bottles of it and have not yet had any return of the trouble."

BRIGHTER FOR "K. C."

MISSOURI BOOMERS AT WORK FOR NATIONAL CONVENTION.

ST. LOUIS MEN HELPING OUT.

Chairman Jones Concedes Wisconsin to the Republicans and This Materially Injures Milwaukee's Case.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—The Missouri "boomers," who are here to secure the Democratic Convention for Kansas City, have adopted a systematic plan of campaign.

At a midnight conference held in the Kansas City headquarters at the Raleigh, sub-committees were appointed whose duty it is to-day and to-morrow to see the 51 members of the Democratic National Committee and personally present to them the advantages to be gained by giving the convention to the Missouri city.

M. C. Wetmore and Nick M. Bell of St. Louis, Sam Cook, National Committeeman Stone and Maj. Harvey W. Salmon are giving material aid to the Kansas Cityans. Senator Cockrell and the Democratic Congressmen from the State are also working hard in the interest of Kansas City.

Since the Missourians arrived there has been a decided change in the gossip as to location of the convention.

Milwaukee, which yesterday apparently had things its own way, is to-day struggling hard to overcome the open sentiment in favor of Kansas City.

The most important development of to-day is the fact that Senator James K. Jones, chairman of the Democratic National Committee, publicly concedes that no political advantage is to be gained by sending the convention to Milwaukee, while if it goes to Kansas City the electoral vote of Kansas may be switched into the Democratic column. Chairman Jones is frank in admitting that he does not believe that the Democrats have any chance of carrying Wisconsin, and holding this view he does not hesitate to say that nothing can be gained from a party standpoint by nominating the Democratic standard bearers in Wisconsin.

Milwaukee is also hard pressed on another point. It wants a late convention. The members of the National Committee have practically decided to hold the convention, nominate the ticket and enunciate the platform before the Republicans hold their convention in Philadelphia. Senator Jones is now an advocate for an early convention. So is ex-Gov. W. J. Stone and Chairman Johnson of the Executive Committee. It is likely that the first week in June will be fixed as the date and all this adds to the chances of Kansas City in the contest.

WHISKY THE BANE OF SOLDIERS

It Has Killed More Men in the Philippines Than Mauser Bullets.

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—Capt. Frank M. Wells, chaplain of the First Tennessee Infantry, United States Volunteers, who returned recently from the Philippine Islands, where he spent eight months, talks about the bad effects of whisky on Americans in the Manila. "Before the Americans went there," he said, "there were only three places in Manila where liquor could be bought. Now there are over 400 places where liquor can be bought every hour. There are from soldiers in Manila, and whisky has sent more of our soldiers to the grave than Filipino bullets. For that reason I am trying to abolish the canteen. At Bello I found that whisky was sold in the barracks, not 15 feet from my quarters, and I reported the matter to the officers. I was told that it had been called to the attention of the Colonel three times, and then I went to the provost marshal. In a short time the custom was discontinued. I never saw so much liquor on a Mississippi steamboat, and I have traveled on a good many, as I saw on the transport Indiana, on which I returned. I am not criticizing the Administration, for I am an American man clear through, but I think if the extent of the liquor traffic in the Philippines could be realized it would be stopped."

ARE WAITING FOR CARNEGIE

On His Way From Florida to Pittsburg to Answer the Frick Suit.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Feb. 20.—All persons interested in the Frick-Carnegie equity suit are now awaiting anxiously the arrival in the city of the principal defendant, Mr. Andrew Carnegie, who is now on his way North from Florida. Just when he will arrive in Pittsburg could not be ascertained, although if the trip was made by the shortest railroad route he could get here this evening. He is not expected, however, until Thursday. As it is said that once either in New York or Washington with President Schwab, who is still in the East, Mr. Carnegie's presence in Pittsburg will add greatly to the interest in the legal battle, and immediate action from the defense side of the question is expected. With the already considerable amount of work put on the answer to be made by the Carnegie Steel Co., Limited, to the suit filed by Mr. Frick, it is calculated that a very few days will suffice for Mr. Carnegie to get the papers of rebuttal in readiness for recording.

ANNIE WHEELER TO WED.

Lieutenant the Lucky Suitor for the Hand of Gen. Joe's Daughter.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 20.—Announcement of the engagement of Lieut. W. W. Fiscus, Nineteenth United States Infantry, now stationed in the Philippines, and Miss Annie Wheeler, the youngest daughter of Gen. "Joe" Wheeler, has been received by the Lieutenant's sister, Dr. Blanche F. Fiscus, of this city.

Lieut. Fiscus is a quaintance with Miss Wheeler dates from the time he was a cadet at West Point. They met again in the Philippines, where Miss Wheeler has been in service as an army nurse.

INVITATION IS ON GOLD.

Unique Souvenir Sent to Admiral and Mrs. Dewey From Jacksonville.

JACKSONVILLE, Ill., Feb. 20.—The citizens of Jacksonville, who are preparing for the State G. A. R. encampment here in May, have had a very handsome invitation made for their expected guests, Admiral and Mrs. Dewey. It consists of a rectangular plate of gold, eight and three-eighths inches long, six and a fourth inches wide and one and a half pounds in weight. The souvenir cost $500.

NO PROSPECT OF RECOVERY.

Archbishop Hennessey May, However, Be Kept Alive Several Months.

DUBUQUE, Ia., Feb. 20.—Although the physicians are silent it is generally understood that Archbishop Hennessey is hopelessly ill and that his death is only a question of time. It may occur at any moment or his life may be prolonged for some months. Physicians are with him constantly night and day.

Leander J. McCormick Dead.

CHICAGO, Feb. 20.—Leander J. McCormick, member of the famous harvesting machinery firm, and founder of the Leander McCormick Observatory of the University of Virginia, died of pneumonia at the Virginia Hotel to-day.

S. N. Tupton.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

ASSUMPTION, Ill., Feb. 20.—S. N. Tupton, aged 40 years, a wealthy farmer living near this place, died last night.

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RETAIL STOVE AND HARDWARE DEALERS IN SESSION.

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Pleased With Existing Conditions and Delighted Over the Prospects for the Coming Year.

Retail stove and hardware dealers from every town of any consequence in Missouri are in St. Louis, and a happier lot of merchants never filled the corridors or sat around the tables of a St. Louis hostelry.

Their smiles, so they say, are caused by the thriving business they have been doing in nails and other material which farmers and builders must have. Another reason they give for their exceeding good humor at this time is that nature promises to respond so generously this year to the Missouri husbandman that the husbandman himself is all smiles and the retail hardware men have simply caught the infection of good humor and confidence in the future from the man in the field.

And the traveling salesman for St. Louis Wholesale hardware houses, reflecting the cheer of both the man in the field and the retailer, stands back and views with a broad grin the territory assigned him by "the house."

About 200 delegates are here to attend the second annual meeting of the Retail Stove and Hardware Association of Missouri, the opening session of which was held in the parlors of the Lindell Hotel Tuesday morning.

J. W. Poland of Carrollton, President of the association, occupied the chair. The usual routine of business was embraced in the programme for the day's proceedings. Papers were read and discussed as follows:

"Why Should Retail Dealers Belong to Our Association?" by R. F. Naylor, Marshall; "The Outlook for the Success of the State Association," Clark W. Kelley, President Northwestern Association, Devil's Lake, N. D.

Following the afternoon session Wednesday there will be a banquet at the St. Nicholas Hotel, for which event over 200 covers have been ordered. The meeting will last three days.

LAUGH ON SHAPKEY.

He Helps Pay His Own Salary of $1000 Per Week.

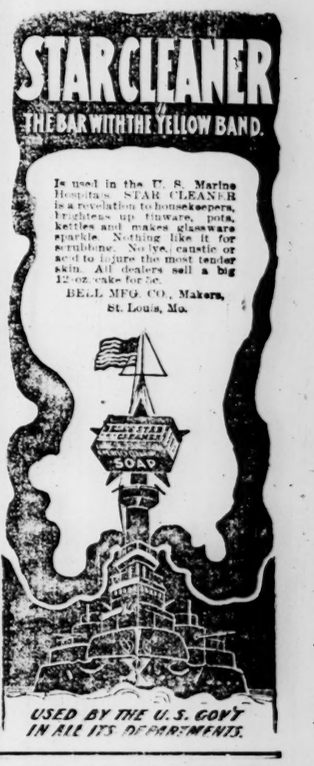
Martin Julian is booking time for his fight pictures in the South and West. On account of the big percentage he is compelled to give Jeffries and Sharkey out of the receipts he is forced to exact unusual terms. Some of the opera house managers express their surprise in odd ways. As a sample of a few of the answers received this one, which came in Monday's mail, will do:

"An everyday occurrence in Kansas, Missouri and Nebraska on receipt of Julian's terms for Jeffries-Sharkey fight pictures.

"W. H. Pearce, manager of Gluck's Opera House, Dodge City, Kan., committed suicide by shooting on Feb. 3. A widow survives. The house will be managed in the future by its owner, A. Gluck."

One manager wrote to Manager Julian: "Why don't you take a sandbag to get your money?"

When Sharkey was at the Lyric Theater he was paid $100 for the week. The sailor did not know he was going to help pay his own salary until last week, when he got a monthly statement of fight picture receipts and found that he, Jeffries, Brady and Julian paid the salary. Tom pays one-fourth of his own salary, a joke on him that he did not think funny.



PROPOSED ATHLETIC MEET.

Match Between California, Columbia and Cornell May Not Take Place.

BERKELEY, Cal., Feb. 20.—The athletic management of Cornell University has proposed by telegraph a triple meet between the University of California, Columbia University and Cornell in New York on May 12. It will be impossible for California to give Cornell and Columbia the date proposed, as a meet with Princeton is arranged for that day, but a later day may be fixed. A telegram from Harvard states that its athletic team cannot meet the Californians this spring.

Paint Brushes Stolen.

One of the recent crimes of robbery, information of which had been suppressed by the police, was the burglary of the Standard Paint and Color Company's store, 60 North Twelfth street, Saturday. Four paint brushes valued at $20 were taken. The store was entered through a rear window.

Death of Beverly Allen.

Beverly Allen died yesterday morning at the home of comptroller Isaac H. Sturgeon of the East Grand avenue. He was a nephew of Mrs. Sturgeon and Mrs. John C. Orrick. He was 32 years old and had been for several years connected with the office force of the Bellefontaine Cemetery Association. The funeral will take place at the Sturgeon residence Wednesday.

THIRTY DAYS' TRIAL

Dr. Sanden's Electric Belt.

I have just opened permanent offices in St. Louis. Because I want to have the confidence of all I have decided for a short time to offer my famous 1900 improved Dr. Sanden Electric Belt on 30 days' trial. This offer should be particularly attractive to all sufferers from Rheumatism, Lame Back, Sciatica, Sexual Weakness, Varicocele, etc. You pay a small deposit on receiving the belt and the balance after the 30 days' trial, if results are satisfactory. In the past 30 years I have been the confidential adviser of thousands and thousands of sufferers all over the world. Hundreds of my patients have been in St. Louis and I know of not one whom I could not refer you to. Worn at night, it cures while you sleep and you pay when cured. If possible call at my office and examine or send for free book explaining all, sealed by mail. I give correspondence personal attention.

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THE MARKETS.

MERCHANTS' EXCHANGE, Feb. 20.

In contrast to lower prices for wheat, corn was somewhat stronger at the opening of today's local session. Lower cables for the former were impossible for the losses, while a good demand and advanced markets abroad held the latter grain steady.

Receipts at primary points moderate. With news scarce the futures were uncertain which way to go, remaining dull and inactive during most of the session.

Broomhall cables reflected by the closing steadiness in American markets, received late, quoted 1d higher but trade news was very light and the market turned extremely dull with nothing doing in the nearest and most distant options. Corn opened very firm at advances of 3@4c in sympathy with the strength displayed in this grain in America yesterday, but the demand was very light and prices showed a slight easiness later. Mail service from India states that the situation in the Northwest is rather better.

Bradstreet's adds a slight shadow to the market, but did not exert any great influence over it. Some of the figures were quite startling, but the general trend of the report was good and surprising. Wheat shows a decrease of 858,000 bu, corn an increase of 480,000 bu, oats an increase of 1,832,000 bu. The stock of wheat in and afloat for European ports shows an increase of [illegible] bu.

The Weather Bureau of snow tonight, probably fair and colder Wednesday. The barometer is highest over the Gulf and California. A low area covers the cattle Southwest, being lowest over Northern Texas. Precipitation was light and scattered. Cloudy weather, with rising temperature, prevails in nearly all sections.

Stocks of Grain in St. Louis Elevators.

	To-day.	Yes'day.	Year ago.
Wheat	1,272,731	1,280,980	1,188,589
Corn	1,038,153	1,000,443	1,983,526
Oats	210,725	211,063	107,484
Rye	19,705	19,705	3,832
Barley	25,887	21,404	2,806
No. 2 red wheat	504,858	506,482	156,107
No. 2 hard	57,437	56,766	200,077
No. 2 mixed corn	467,973	448,388	1,149,421
No. 2 white	264,352	252,893	193,424
No. 2 mixed oats	86,766	93,335	53,104
No. 2 white	1,350	1,350	24,939
No. 2 rye	6,284	6,284	1,051

Export Movements of Grain.

PLACE.	Wheat. Rec.	Wheat. Ship.	Corn. Rec.	Corn. Ship.
New York	27,200	23,966	1,5,525	19,319
Baltimore	3,302	80,000	225,397	125,924
Boston	18,502	[illegible]	1,550	28,505
Galveston	26,795	50,000	18,000	
New Orleans		24,000		23,571

Western Movements of Grain.

PLACE.	Wheat Rec.	Wheat Ship.	Corn Rec.	Corn Ship.
St. Louis	17,967	23,820	83,125	17,490
Chicago	62,700	6,150	616,555	14,043
Toledo	2,000	5,500	85,000	43,000
Detroit	2,518	4,253	1,025	4,140
Kansas City	7,200	34,300	40,000	43,100
Milwaukee	47,400		60,200	23,400
Minneapolis	155,200	35,600	19,920	9,520
Duluth	183,041		24,720	1,000

Western Flour Movement.

	Receipts.	Shipments.
St. Louis	6,720	9,362
Chicago	50,911	32,509
Detroit	200	600
Milwaukee	4,555	19,740
Minneapolis		63,242

Export Flour Movement.

PLACE.	Receipts. Barrels.	Receipts. Sacks.	Shipments. Barrels.	Shipments. Sacks.
New York	8,587	17,168	2,033	22,777
Baltimore	10,759		3,481	
Boston	1,890		1,514	33,731
N. Orleans				17,719

Sample Market Prices.

	To-day.	Yester'y.	Year ago.
WHEAT			
No. 2 red	72½@72¾	73	73
No. 3 red	67 @70	70¼	70 @73
No. 4 red	67 @70	67 @70	62 @69
No. 2 hard	67½	67½	67 @68
No. 3 hard	64½	64½	65 @66½
No. 4 hard	68	68	66 @67
No. 3 spring	64½	64½	63½@65
No. 4 spring	62	62	
CORN.			
No. 2 mixed	34¼	33¾	33½@34
No. 2 white	34½@34¾	34½@34¾	34 @34½
No. 3 mixed	33¾	33¾	32 @33
No. 4 mixed	32	32	28
No. 3 white	33½	33½	33 @33½
No. 2 yellow	34¼	34¼	34
OATS.			
No. 2 mixed	25	25	28¾@29
No. 2 Northern	25	25	29 @29½
No. 2 white	26 @26½	26½	30 @30½
No. 3 white	25 @26½	25½@26	29½@30½
No. 4 white	24½	24½	28 @29
No. 3 mixed	24	24	28¼@28½
No. 4 mixed	24½	24¼@24½	27½@28

Future Prices.

	Closing Yesterday.	Highest To-day.	Lowest To-day.	Closing To-day.
WHEAT				
May	70⅞@71 b	70⅝@70⅞	70⅜	70⅝@70⅞b
July	69⅛b	68	67⅞	67⅞@67 a
CORN.				
May	34⅛@34⅛a	34¼	33⅞	33⅞@33⅞b
July	34⅜b			34⅛@34⅜a
OATS				
May	24⅝	24⅞@24⅝	24¼	24⅝b

May white corn sold at 34⅝c.

Chicago Markets.

	Closing Yesterday.	Highest To-day.	Lowest To-day.	Closing To-day.
WHEAT.				
May	68⅝@68⅞	68¼	67⅞@67⅞	68 a
July	69	68⅞	68⅝@68⅞	68⅝@68⅞
CORN.				
May	35⅝@35½	35½	35	35⅛@
July	35⅞	35⅞	35⅝@35½	35⅝@
OATS				
May	23⅝@23⅞	23⅝@23⅞	23⅝	23½
July	22⅝@22⅞	22⅞	22⅝	22½
PORK.				
May	$11.00	$11.00@02	$10.90	$10.97@
July	11.00@02	11.02	10.92@95	11.02 b
LARD.				
May	6.07	6.07	6.02@05	6.07 b
July	6.15@17	6.17	6.12	6.17 a
RIBS.				
May	6.02	6.05	6.00	6.05
July	6.02	6.05	6.00@02	6.05

Chicago Close.

CHICAGO, Feb. 22. Feb., 68½c b; May, 68½c a; July, 68⅝@68⅞c b. Corn Feb., 35½c b; May, 35½c a; July, 35½c a. Oats Feb., 22½c b; May, 23½c b; July, 22½c b.

Flax—Northwest, $1.01; Southwest, $1.00; May, $1.00; Sept., $1.10.

WHEAT

Wheat was not in good seller today. The demand from all quarters was poor, scarcely being enough to keep any traders in the pit interested. Manifested in futures, slightly averaged at the opening of the session, quickly died out. It was almost impossible to get even a bid or offer price.

The Paris market, the center and origin of all the sensational cable news of late, is quiet. This market, advancing yesterday on news of bad weather, is down today, following the dictates of the real situation, and not being governed by the fake reports circulated by operators in that region.

Futures, strong at the close yesterday, had a reaction today, fell slowly, but lacking a large offering of grain did not entirely lose all the gains made yesterday. The bears lacked confidence in their trading and the bulls were in the same fix. The outlook is uncertain, the wonderful stock of grain afloat to the United Kingdom being a depressing factor, against which the market finds it hard to fight. Our visible is decreasing, but not fast enough to encourage the bulls. Free selling abroad is another depressing factor. Foreign grains being offered way below ours, the market naturally neglects this side's offerings.

Receipts at St. Louis' today were 17,967 bu, compared with 13,600 bu a year ago; with 83,125 there 616 sacks and 22 cars were local, against 480 sacks and 18 cars the same day a year ago.

May wheat opened at 70⅝c, while July made its first sale at 68c. The former future later improved in demand, but showed hardly any change in price, still being quiet, with an extreme range of 1c. It sold at 70⅝@70¾c. This was almost the only gain made in the early session. Later sales were recorded at 70⅝c, 70½@70⅝c, 70⅝c, 70½c, and finally the future dropped to 70⅜c. July, after making its first sale, went to 67⅞c, and was then offered at 67¾c.

Liverpool in the last three days has received 820,000 bu of wheat, of which 364,000 bu came from America. This market is certainly not scarce of grain and ought to go much lower, carrying this side with it. It opened ½d up to day, while London was ½d down for its opening.

Paris was also down, being 10c below yesterday's close. Antwerp remains unchanged. Berlin closed ⅝ up; Buda Pesth ⅝ up. Liverpool closed unchanged to ½d lower for the day. Paris closed 50c10c down.

Receipts of wheat at primary points to-day were 481,026 bu, as compared with 555,000 bu same date last year.

Shipments, 110,203 bu, compared with 135,000 bu same date last year.

Receipts of wheat at Minneapolis and Duluth today were 480 cars, as compared with 479 cars same date last year.

NEWS OF THE PIT.

To Leftwich Fisher:

The wheat market is developing weakness. The absence of export demand and the favorable crop prospects at home are the depressing influences. Advices from France, while reporting some crop damage in the Northern provinces, admit that the damage is not extensive, and that it will be repaired by increased spring sowings. The outlook at present is not encouraging to holders of wheat. Unless we get a better rain demand or growing crops are severely damaged, the tendency of the market will be to drag still lower.

Corn has become the center of grain speculation. Small stocks at central markets and the small amount of corn offered as compared with previous years has attracted speculative buying. The advance in price, together with the unusually short fall rates, has temporarily checked the export demand, but it has not induced any increased selling by farmers. The position is a very strong one. The price is lower than last year, and the outlook for higher rather than lower prices.

Yours truly,

Williams & Day.

To Arthur Fisher:

Think this is the spot to buy some corn. Cudahy brokers have been making a stab at the market, but struck a big bunch of buying orders. It looks like it would not break that price.

Patten sold July early, also sold May. Looks like Cudahy selling little to break market, but holds steady.

Commission houses principal sellers at the opening, some buying in Northwest show opening; steadier market; trade small.

Been pretty good selling at Chicago against country acceptances this morning, but there has also been good buying by Cudahy and provision crowd.

See no good in wheat long as export demand so dead. Europe has not required to buy grain on which are taken advantage by other exporting countries to sell on.

The private elevator stocks of grain at Chicago: Wheat, 4,820,000 bu; corn, 3,298,000 bu; oats, 2,023,000 bu.

Total public and private stocks are: Wheat, 19,959,000 bu; corn, 10,105,000 bu; oats, 3,491,000 bu.

To Wm. A. Rooke:

A dull market in wheat, with little tendency, is all we see at the moment. The Northwest receipts, which will continue large for some time, in our opinion, is the main factor for the present. Corn acts strong, conditions are healthy, but speculation will have much to do with prices in the near future. Strong Chicago people are heavy buyers of this cereal.

With 17,000,000 bu less corn in the visible, with 100,000,000 bu less in the cribs than last year, with practically no old corn left in the country, and with such corn as is being fed by farmers, walking to market at 45c per bu, what ought the corn market to do? Is the conundrum Charles L. Raymond is putting to some of the corn shorts. It is said five of the large Chicago elevator concerns in this market report 11,000,000 bu less corn in the Western cribs than at this time last year.

The Chicago grain stocks in the public houses and afloat showed for the week an increase in wheat of 744,000 bu, an increase in corn of 625,000 bu, a decrease in oats of 14,000 bu. These local stocks in store and afloat now include 15,113,000 bu in wheat, 6,867,000 bu corn, 1,468,000 bu oats.

In the corn pit the crowd at the moment seems inclined to follow the Cudahy lead rather than the Patten. The latter is supposed to have sold not possibly 3,000,000 bu of long corn, and to be now hammering away at the price in order to get it done. The Cudahys have apparently stuck to the bull side through all the recent liquidating, and they closed the market last night about as high as it was at any time last week.

By Bennett Wasserman & Co.:

The one striking feature in the wheat market is the strong undertone shown lately. While all news and conditions bearing on the market are bearish, this firmness can be attributed to the sympathy with the advance in the sister cereal, corn. Still, under the circumstances, wheat looks up well. How long can this last? With warm weather and repetition of favorable conditions to the growing crop, it is hard to believe that anything but a decline must ensue.

Heavy trading characterized the day in corn in both the St. Louis and Chicago markets. Big crowds were in the corn pits, and traders reported business as excellent. All the commission people had a good deal to do with the market, and it was a very steady one. The provision people led the buying, and a great deal of the purchasing in the Chicago market, according to a telegram received by Bennett Wasserman & Co., was for the account of Cudahy.

There was again a difference of opinion as to the country offerings, the crowd being very much divided. While several firms reported them as liberal, others maintained that they were unusually light.

By W. S. Lanping:

I have been exploiting the idea of selling wheat on hard spots and taking small profits on the short side. The results have made money for several of my customers, but the bearish ideas are becoming entirely too general, and I begin to think wheat is a purchase at present prices for 2 or 3 cents in the near future.

Would not favor selling corn at present. The demand for corn and corn products from the other side of the Atlantic is unprecedented. I look for corn to give us better values than the price of wheat.

Yours, W. Sanford.

Chances favor a rally. There was a good deal of realizing in corn and that looks like purchases on reactions.

The wheat seems to have been pretty well absorbed around 67⅞@68c. Any experts would start crowd buying.

There was considerable corn for sale at half and this checked market. Bartlett was credited as a good buyer.

Cables not very encouraging to a bull, but statistics inclined to be bearish. Wheat was advanced yesterday more in sympathy with corn than anything else. Bradstreet's expected to show quite an increase to-day. War news beginning to crop out in the papers. Weather in winter wheat country all right.

Have been making inquiry and find that a number of commission houses usually long millions of wheat are either short or long wheat, but little. Can not imagine where long interest is, but it's not in Chicago market.

CORN.

This cereal exemplifies the impossibility of any grain under the most encouraging circumstances going one way all the time, and not at times going in the opposite direction. Here there has been a run of bullish news, which, if it had been received by wheat, would have resulted in a big boom. Scarcely a ripple now appears to show for all the work the bulls have given to push the grain up.

Market abroad opened higher to-day. We remained quiet, only making a small response to the change. Receipts continue large, drawing the country of all for surplus on hand; the range continues small, and often downward.

Large shipments are daily reported for foreign markets, the visible is only half as big as it was last year, still interest cannot be aroused. Prices remain low, and everything of a bullish character seems to be neglected. Who has got hold of this grain?

Receipts at St. Louis today were 83,125 bu, compared with 26,440 bu the same day last year, of these 290 sacks and 81 cars were local, against 376 sacks and 21 cars the same day a year ago.

May sold at 34½c and at 34c. July was offered at 34⅝@34½c.

Liverpool opened ¼d up, and London ½d down.

Receipts of corn at primary points to-day were 382,000 bu, as compared with 742,000 bu same date last year. Shipments, 309,993 bu, compared with 427,000 bu same date last year.

OATS.

Receipts at St. Louis to-day were 56,100 bu, compared with 22,800 bu the same day a year ago; of these 42 cars were local, against 11 cars the same day a year ago.

Futures were dull and uninteresting to-day. May opened at 24½@24⅝c, after it had been offered at 24⅝@24¾c. Later it sold at 24½c.

BARLEY—Malting, grade, 45c.

HAY.

Receipts Local, 425; through, 270; shipments, 617.

Market quiet; receipts fair; choice timothy, $12; extra choice as high as $12.50; No. 1, $11@11.50; No. 2, $10.50.

Clover—No. 1, $10.50@11; other grades dull, selling from $7@9; clover, mixed, from $7@10.50, owing to color and amount of mixture.

STRAW.

Wheat, $4.75; rye, $6.

BRAN—Sacked, 65c East Side; 66@67c this side at the mill.

CASTOR BEANS—Steady at $1.12 per bu for prime.

FLOUR.

Patents	$3.40@3.50
Straights	3.00@3.15
Clears	2.75@2.90
Low and medium grades	2.00@2.40
Pearl meal, hominy and grits	2.10
Cornmeal	1.75@1.80
Rye flour	2.90@3.20

GRASS SEEDS—German millet at $1.20; mixed millet at 60@70c; Hungarian at 65@75c; timothy at $2.25 grade; prime more; clover at $3.50 for poor to $7.50 for clean, bright; redtop—chaff at 40@60c; poorly cleaned original seed at 30@40c; prime to choice in chaff at $2.50@3.50; fancy at $7.50@8.

FLAXSEED—Nominally $1.58.

PROVISIONS

LARD—Choice, $5.80; old, $5.75.

PORK—New pork, $11.37½; old, $10.50.

DRY SALT—Shoulders, 6½c; extra shorts, 6¾c; clear ribs, 6½c; clear sides, 6¾c.

BACON—On orders, boxed meat—Shoulders, 6¾c; extra shorts, 6¾c; clear ribs, 7c; clear sides, 7¼c.

BEEF—Mess, $10 per bbl.

SUGAR CURED HAMS—10@11c.

LEAD AND SPELTER

LEAD—$4.57½@4.60.

SPELTER—$4.00.

ON THE STREET.

Post-Dispatch quotations are for carload lots in first hands unless otherwise quoted. Butchers, drovers and market men buy selected stock and pay higher prices.

FRUITS.

APPLES—Market active, good demand for choice fruit. Ben Davis, $3.15@3.50; Genetting, $2.25@3; Baldwin, $2.65@3.40.

LEMONS—New Messina, $3@3.50.

ORANGES—Mexican choice, $2.50@3; California, $2.25@2.50.

BANANAS—Port Limon, $1.75.

COCOANUTS—$25 per 1000, or $3 per 100.

GRAPE FRUIT—Jamaica, $3@7 per box.

STRAWBERRIES—25@50c per quart box.

CALIFORNIA PEARS—$2.75@3 per 40-lb box.

DRIED FRUIT—Active and in good demand. Evaporated rings, average receipts, 8@10c; skins, 5@6½c; evaporated quarters, 5@6½c for fair to choice.

VEGETABLES.

CELERY—California, 40@60c per doz; fancy, 50@65c.

LETTUCE—New Orleans, $3@3.50 per bbl; home-grown 65@85c.

NEW SWEET POTATOES—Home-grown, $2.50 per bbl for Bermudas, and $2.50 for red Nansemonds.

MUSHROOMS—35@50c per lb.

PEPPERS—Choice Florida, $3.50 per 6-basket crate.

SPINACH—Home-grown scarce and firm. New Orleans, 30c per doz bunches.

CUCUMBERS—Hothouse, $1@2 per crate.

CRANBERRIES—$6 per bbl for choice Cape Cod.

PARSNIPS—35@50c per bu loose.

SOUP BUNCHES—25@35c per doz bunches.

TURNIPS—25@30c per bu.

RUTABAGAS—35@37c per bu.

BEETS—Northern, $1.50@1.75 per bbl; Louisiana, 20c per doz bunches.

CARROTS—35c per doz bunches.

STOCK PEAS—Firm at $1.25 per bu for whippoorwill.

RADISHES—25@40c per doz bunches.

PARSLEY—Home-grown, 12½@25c per doz bunches.

CABBAGE—Red, 16@18c per lb.

POTATOES—Burbank, 44@46c.

SAUERKRAUT—In bbl, $1.75; per bbl, $3.25.

HORSERADISH—New home-grown, $4.50 per bbl.

EGG PLANT—Choice Florida, $4@4.50 per crate.

TOMATOES—Florida, $2.50@3 per 6-basket crate.

STRING BEANS—Southern, choice fresh, $4 a bu.

CAULIFLOWER—$1.75 per crate for California.

ONIONS—Yellow globe, 50@55c a bu; red globe, 50@60c a bu.

BUTTER AND CHEESE.

BUTTER—Steady and a fair trade; supply fair.

Creamery—		Dairy—	
Extras	24	Extras	16 @18
Firsts	20	Extras	19
Seconds	18 @19	Store-packed	13 @15
Ladle packed—		Grease	4 @ 5
Extras	18	Process—	
Firsts	15 @17	Extras	20

CHEESE—Firm; full cream, twins, 12c; singles, 12¼c; Y. A. 13c. Illinois—Twins, 10c; singles 10½c; Y. A. 10c. New York—Full cream, 12½c; Limburger, 12@12½c; Swiss, 15@16c; brick, 12@12½c.

EGGS

Receipts, 2449; a very slow market. Shipments, 2083 cases.

Sales at 11½c, loss off.

GAME

Quotation for unscrewn birds. Drawn, 25c per doz lower.

Mallard and red head, $3.50; canvas back, $7.50; green wing teal, $1.75; blue-wing teal, $2; mixed, $1.50; brawn ducks, 50c; 50c less than above prices. Wild geese, each, 35@50c; sandpipers, 25c; jacksnipe, $1.60; rabbits, fresh, $1@1.15; rough and pouch less, squirrels, 75c; jack rabbits, $1.50; possum, each, 50c to 15c.

LIVE POULTRY—Old roosters, 4c; hens, 8c; ducks, 8@9c; geese, 6@8c; turkeys, 8c; pigeons, 75c per doz.

DRESSED POULTRY—Receipts light; little demand. Young chickens, spring, boxed price for heads and legs on; turkeys, 8½@10c; geese, 6@7½c; ducks, 8@10c.

ROASTING PIGS—$1@1.25 per head.

VEALS—Dull, 5½@6½c for small fat; heavies, 2@4c.

LAMBS—5@6c for fancy spring lambs, small and fat; sheep, 3½@4½c per lb.

NUTS

PEANUTS—Red, 6½@7c per lb; 3½@4½c for white.

WALNUTS—25c per bu.

PECANS—Texas, 7@7½c; Western, 6½@7c per lb.

HICKORY NUTS—25c per bu.

COCOANUTS—$4.50 per sack, 2Tc.

Dry flint, average receipts ..... 8½@ 8¾
Dry flint, heavy Texas 18¼
Dry flint, average Texas 18
Natives 18
Southern 17¾
Dry salted 16½
Glue stock 10
On selection—
Green salted, No. 1 9
Green salted, No. 2 ..... 8¼
Dry salted No. 1 18
Dry salted No. 2 15
Dry flint No. 1 ..... 18½
Dry flint No. 2 ..... 16½

DEERSKIN, ETC.—Deerskin quotable at 34c per lb for prime; damaged half price. Antelope, 15c. Goatskin, 25@35c each.

SHEEP PELTS—Market quiet; full wooled, 75@$1.25; lambs and shearings, 45@50c; dry shearings, 7½@25c; fallen pelts, 10@14c per lb, according to quality and condition.

FURS—Very strong; in active demand; all descriptions wanted; movement large.

Mink—No. 1 large, $1.50; No. 1 medium, $1; small and seconds, 65c. No. 3, 30c. No. 4, 15c. Skunk—Prime, as to size, Black, $1@1.25; short stripe, 65@75c; narrow do, 45@55c; broad do, 15@20c. Texas round, 35@55c; territory do, 50@70c. All blue or unprime less. Opossum—No. 1, 35c; No. 2, 20c; open, 10c. Wild cat, 20@30c. Civet cat, 20c. House cat, 10c. Wolf—Prairie, 50@65c; timber, 55@65c. Red fox—No. 1, $2@2.25; No. 2, $1.50; No. 3, 75c; No. 4, 20c. Gray fox—No. 1, 80c; No. 2, 50c; No. 3, 30c; No. 4, 15c. Otter—No. 1 large, $8; No. 1 medium, $6.50; No. 2, $5.50; No. 3, $3; No. 4, $1.50. Bear, $16@12. Beaver, $10@6. Muskrat, 50@10c. Badger, 50@25c. Raccoon sells, according to different grading, as follows: No. 1 large, 80c; No. 1 medium, 60c; No. 1 small and No. 2, 45c; No. 3, 20c; No. 4, 10c. No. 1 large and medium, 65@75c; No. 1 small and No. 2, 45c; No. 3, 20c; No. 4, 10c.

FEATHERS—Firm; small sks, 48c; large sks, 46c; gray and quilly, 36c; white, old, 38@40c; X, 28@32c; XX, 21@23c; XXX, 13@16c; XXXX, 8@10c. Chicken—Dry picked, 5½c. Duck—Dark at 27@30c; white, 30@32c.

LIVE STOCK.

National Stock Yards.

NATIVE CATTLE—Receipts, 1400. Market active and steady.

SALES.

		Av.	Price.
4 steers		525	$4.35
22 steers		1105	4.40
2 steers		1235	4.40
5 steers		946	4.25
5 steers		966	4.20
17 steers		1096	4.10
4 steers		922	4.10
4 heifers		580	4.25
1 heifer		660	4.15
1 heifer		710	4.00
5 heifers		456	3.40
14 cows and heifers		869	3.35
1 calf		80	7.00
2 cows and calves, each		875	35.00
TEXAS CATTLE—Receipts, 1300.			Market steady to easier.
SALES.			
164 steers		1187	$4.20
23 steers		1089	4.10
23 steers		1094	4.15
62 steers		745	3.75
22 steers		894	3.70
23 steers		907	3.65
42 bulls		1063	3.35
2 bulls		820	3.25
33 Arkansas steers		653	3.70
2 Arkansas heifers		705	3.25

SHEEP—Receipts, 1200. Market steady and active.

SALES.

		Av.	Price.
28 lambs		86	$7.00
128 lambs		84	6.75
12 native lambs		67	6.50
494 lambs		78	6.25
199 Mexican lambs		53	5.75
55 natives		128	5.50
19 natives		101	5.25
1 buck		160	4.50

HOGS—Receipts, 8500, market steady with yesterday's close.

SALES.

No.	Av.	Price.	No.	Av.	Price.
52	230	$5.05	73	241	$5.02½
66	212	4.97½	63	246	4.97½
41	207	4.95	47	209	4.95
62	222	4.95	59	266	4.95
83	265	4.95	85	230	4.95
68	256	4.92½	40	232	4.92½
66	220	4.90	40	228	4.90
55	236	4.90	59	220	4.87½
59	206	4.87½	80	232	4.87½
59	195	4.85	80	213	4.87½
72	210	4.87½	36	196	4.85
88	184	4.85	67	183	4.82½
80	194	4.80	26	161	4.75
56	146	4.75	64	151	4.72½
12	133	4.62½	37	133	4.65
24	131	4.60	23	94	4.10
36	70	4.00	60	80	4.00

HORSES AND MULES—Receipts, 650. Market is in good shape to-day, with urgent demand for best heavy Eastern and export horses. Prices on this grade are now quoted at $50@10 advance over last week's opening. A good lot of buyers here. Southern trade firm and active.

HORSE QUOTATIONS

Heavy draft, common to good	90.00@140.00
Choice to extra	140.00@175.00
Drivers—	
Common to good	75.00@145.00
Bulls	85.00@100.00
Coach horses	150.00@550.00
Saddlers—	
Common to choice	60.00@125.00
Fancy	150.00@225.00
Clunks, 1250 to 1400 pounds—	
Common to good	60.00@ 90.00
Choice to extra	95.00@125.00
Southern horses—	
Common to good	30.00@ 55.00
Choice to extra	60.00@ 80.00
Plugs	20.00@ 32.50

Mule trade is generally quoted a little better to-day, and while sales are not heavy yet there is a better tone to the market.

MULE QUOTATIONS

(For broke mules, 4 to 7 years old.)

14 hands, extreme range	420.00@490.00
14 hands, bulk of sales	40.00@ 50.00
14½ hands, extreme range	45.00@ 70.00
14½ hands, bulk of sales	45.00@ 55.00
15 hands, extreme range	60.00@ 95.00
15 hands, bulk of sales	60.00@ 75.00
15½ hands, extreme range	65.00@105.00
15½ hands, bulk of sales	75.00@ 85.00
16 to 16½ hands, extreme range	80.00@120.00
16 to 16½ hands, bulk of sales	95.00@125.00
Bulk of sales represent mixed mules in first hands. Prices represent first-class mules, extra finish and weight, strictly fat, practically sound and classified.

LIVE STOCK NOTES.

Last week on this market cattle arrivals direct from Texas were 192 cars, against 182 cars received during the previous week and 93 cars which came in three weeks ago.

Last week the State of Arkansas furnished this market 38 cars of cattle.

Last week at the quarantine cattle division Chicago received 126 cars of cattle, Kansas City received 167 cars and St. Louis received 207 cars, making 583 cars at the three markets, against 716 cars received the week previous.

Another large cargo of British pack mules cleared the New Orleans port yesterday for Cape Town. It embraced 1350 head on the transport Montezuma. The internal movement of these little mules keeps steadily on. A few hundred head of them are moved from this market nearly every week and a train-load has been leaving every two or three weeks for the Gulf coast.

Heavier supplies of mules are quartered here at present than perhaps any time previous this season. The light outward movement recently, in conjunction with correspondingly liberal receipts, has placed extremely large runs in dealers' hands and the total assortment does not fall short of 5500 head.

Receipts at the St. Louis National Stock Yards during the week ending Feb. 17 were 12,017 cattle, 45,754 hogs, 5017 sheep and 2727 horses and mules, against 13,427 cattle, 43,984 hogs, 4133 sheep and 4162 horses and mules received during the previous week. These figures show a decrease of 1410 cattle, an increase of 1770 hogs and increase of 884 sheep, and a decrease of 1435 horses and mules. As compared with the corresponding week a year ago, cattle show a decrease of 2980 head, the hogs increase 3100 head, sheep decreased 700 head, and horses and mules decreased 400 head.

LIVE STOCK BY TELEGRAPH.

CHICAGO, Feb. 20.—Cattle—Receipts, 2500; good to choice native steers steady, others dull. Texas slow, closed steady. Beeves, $4.00@6.00; cows, $3.00@4.40; heifers, $3.15@4.75; canners, $2.25@2.90; stockers and feeders, $3.25@4.75. Texas fed beeves, $4.00@5.00. Hogs—Receipts to-day, 30,000; to morrow, 35,000; left over, 4844; average 5c lower; top, $5.02½. Mixed and butchers, $4.75@5.02½; good to choice heavy, $4.90@5.02½; rough heavy, $4.65@4.75; light, $4.65@4.90; bulk of sales, $4.85@5.00. Sheep—Receipts, 15,000; about steady. Native wethers, $4.50@5.75; Western wethers, $4.50@5.75. Lambs, shade easier. Native, $5.00@7.00; Western, $5.75@8.00.

UNITED STOCK YARDS, Ill., Feb. 20.—Receipts of livestock for yesterday and shipments for yesterday: Receipts, cattle, 17,931; hogs, 30,029; sheep, 12,903; shipments, cattle, 4733; hogs, 6737; sheep, 2229.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Feb. 20.—Cattle—Receipts, 7000; market steady. Native steers, $4@5.40; Texas steers, $3.25@4.55. Texas cows and heifers, $1.75@4.25; stockers and feeders, $3@3.75; bulls, $3.25@3.90. Hogs—Receipts, 12,000; a market 5c lower; bulk of sales, $4.70@4.80; heavy, $4.80@4.85; packers, $4.67½@4.82½; mixed, $4.62½@4.80; light, $4.50@4.75; yorkers, $4.70@4.75; pigs, $4.10@4.60. Sheep—Receipts, 3000; strong. Lambs, $5.50@6.15; muttons, $3.50@5.50.

SOUTH OMAHA, Neb., Feb. 20.—Cattle—Receipts, 4300; market slow to 10c lower; native beef steers, $4.00@5.50; western steers, $3.90@4.60; Texas steers, $3.00@4.20; cows and heifers, $3.25@4.25; canners, $2.25@3.25; stockers and feeders, $3.75@5.00; calves, $4.00@7.00; bulls, stags, etc., $3.00@4.10. Hogs—Receipts, 8200; market 5@10c lower; top, $5.00; bulk of sales, $4.75@4.77½; light, $4.70@4.75; pigs, $4.00@4.60; bulk of sales, $4.77½@4.80. Sheep—Receipts, 1600; market strong. Yearlings, $5.00@6.00; wether muttons, $5.00@5.50; stock sheep, $4.00@4.60; lambs, $5.50@6.75.

SOUTH ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Feb. 20.—Cattle—Receipts, 1400; market steady.

Hogs—Receipts, 5500; market 5@10c lower; bulk, $4.82@4.87; top, $4.92½.

Sheep—Receipts, 700; market steady.

COTTON.

LOCAL MARKET—Quiet and unchanged; sales, 170 bales.

Quotations:

Ordinary	7 5-16c
Good ordinary	7 13-16c
Low middling	8 3-16c
Middling	8½c
Good middling	8¾c
Middling fair	9⅜c

Tinges and stains, 1-16c below white.

WAREHOUSE STATEMENT TO-DAY.

	1899-1900.	1898-99.
Net receipts to-day	248	273
Net receipts since Sept. 1	139,923	134,980
Gross receipts to-day	1,453	1,273
Net shipments since Sept. 1	115,227	88,578
Gross receipts today	1,708	3,585
Gross receipts since Sept. 1	126,143	96,558
Gross shipments to-day	4,573	3,752
Gross shipments since Sept. 1	998,747	758,489
Stock on hand	80,542	71,479

COTTON WOOL—Spot steady and unchanged; middling, 8½c; future closed steady.

	Closing Yesterday.	Highest To-day.	Lowest To-day.	Closing To-day.
February	8.45	8.49	8.38	8.41
March	8.48	8.49	8.37	8.39
April	8.44	8.49	8.37	8.39
May	8.50	8.56	8.43	8.54
June	8.57	8.57	8.51	8.52
July	8.59	8.59	8.53	8.54
August	8.45	8.42	8.38	8.40
September	7.80	7.74	7.73	7.73

LIVERPOOL, Sept. in moderate demand and prices 1@2d down; uplands, 5d; sales, 8000 bales; futures closed steady. Feb., 4 58-64d; Feb. and March, 4 55-64d s; March and April, 4 52-64d s; April and May, 4 49-64d s; May and June, 4 46-64d b; June and July, 4 44-64d s; July and Aug., 4 42-64d s.

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

CHICAGO, Feb. 20.—The opening tone of wheat to-day was a disagreeable surprise to bull traders. Liverpool failed utterly to respond to the strength shown by the local market yesterday, while the local demand showed a great falling off. Initial quotations for May showed a decline of ¼@⅝c, and during the next hour further decline of ⅞@1c was recorded. May opened at 68⅛c, sold at 68⅛@68¼c, then gradually declined to 67⅞@67¾c, averaging caused a rally before 11 o'clock, May touching 68⅛c. Commission houses did little, either in cash or the speculative product. Chicago receipts were 70 cars. Northwest receipts were 472 cars, compared with

SITUATIONS WANTED—MALE.
20 Words or Less. 5 Cents.

BOOKKEEPER—Experienced bookkeeper wants set books for night work. Ad. M 180, Post-Dispatch.

BOOKKEEPER—Sit. wanted by bookkeeper of many years' experience; can do all branches of office work. Ad. A 49, Post-Dispatch.

BOY—Sit. wanted by strong boy of 17. Chas. Koch, 2906 Shenandoah av.

BOY—Sit. wanted by a boy of 15; can write a good hand; position preferred in office or business house. Ad. H 49, Post-Dispatch.

BOY—Wanted, position by boy of 16, in grocery store or learn some trade. 4140B Easton av.

BOY—Sit. wanted by boy of 16, wishes position in office or wholesale house; give recommendations. Ad. E 50, Post-Dispatch.

BOY—Sit. wanted by boy of 16, wants a position as an office boy; write good hand. Ad. E 55, Post-Dispatch.

BOY—A steady, ambitious boy, 17, reliable, good habits, wishes to learn good trade; best references. Ad. B 50, Post-Dispatch.

BOY—Sit. wanted by boy 16 years old, to work around bakery shop or work in the country. Ad. L 49, Post-Dispatch.

BOY—Sit. wanted by Southern colored boy; well raised and honest; outside work preferred; in private family. N. E. Williams, 6105 Garfield.

BOY—Sit. wanted by neat, tidy boy, 15 years old; position in office or wholesale house preferred; low wages; references. Ad. W 39, Post-Dispatch.

CARPENTER—Carpenter wants work, a good rafter; city or country. Ad. N 207, Post-Dispatch.

COACHMAN—Sit. wanted in city or suburbs as coachman and houseman; reference. Ad. E 54, Post-Dispatch.

COLLECTOR—Wanted, position by married man as collector and make himself useful in wholesale house; references and bond given. Philip Jobler, 2805 S. 7th st.

COLLECTOR—Experienced installment collector desires position; best reference and bond; married and a citizen for 15 years. W. P. Ishmer, 3295 Pine st.

COLLECTOR—Wanted, position as collector by young man of 19; experienced; references; bond if required. Ad. C 55, Post-Dispatch.

COOK—Sit. wanted by experienced colored man; short order and dinner cook; reliable. Ad. T 38, Post-Dispatch.

DRIVER—Sit. wanted by first-class driver; delivery or wholesale concern; satisfaction guaranteed; good city references. 4155 Westminster pl.

DRIVER—Sit. wanted by experienced driver on soda wagon or wholesaler wagon; well acquainted with the saloon trade and in city. Ad. K 50, Post-Dispatch.

FIREMAN—First-class fireman of assistant engineer wants sit. Ad. N 29, Post-Dispatch.

HOTEL CLERK—Young man wants position as night clerk in hotel; best references; salary no object. Ad. M 39, Post-Dispatch.

HOUSEMAN—White houseman wants place in private family; care of horses, furnace, lawn work around house; wages no object. 2609 N. Taylor av.; best reference.

MAN—Young man of 23 desires work of any kind; will work for small wages. Ad. Frank G. Coon, Wolf Windsor Hotel, 6th st. and Olive st., city.

MAN—Sit. wanted in factory or wholesale house; speaks German, and willing worker. Ad. D 49, Post-Dispatch.

MAN—Sit. wanted by young man to work at wagon trade; have had some experience. Box 63, Ferguson, Mo.

MAN—Man wants steady situation; experienced with horses, cows, gardens, flowers, poultry, bees; generally handy; references. Address P 48, Post-Dispatch.

MAN—Strong, energetic young man, 22, wants work of any kind; well acquainted with city; good references. Ad. O 49, Post-Dispatch.

MAN—American, 30, understands care horse, lawn, horses and cows; 9 months in city; wants work of any kind; reference. Ad. P 49, Post-Dispatch.

MAN—Sit. wanted by married man, with contracting firm or railroad, as inspector and general work; have handled different kinds of stone for past 10 years; am sober, industrious, moderate salary. Address T 49, Post-Dispatch.

MAN—Wanted, by experienced young man of 22, position with wholesale or retail firm; hardware preferred; city references. Ad. X 48, Post-Dispatch.

MAN—Am first-class office man; strictly temperate and reliable; do billing or writing; best city references and bond. Ad. B 49, Post-Dispatch.

MAN—Reliable colored man desires employment. 2605 Lucas av.

MAN—Young man desires position to work around house; and can take care of horse and milk cows. Ad. O 54, Post-Dispatch.

MAN—Young man wants sit. in meat market; has experience. Ad. G 40, Post-Dispatch.

MAN—Sit. wanted by colored man in private family; work of any kind, reasonable. 1418 Wash.

MAN—Allround man, licensed engineer, wants a position with some good firm. Ad. P 40, Post-Dispatch.

MAN—Sit. wanted by a strong young man of 20; wants work of any kind. Ad. E 53, Post-Dispatch.

MAN—Young man wants a position as an assistant shipping clerk; has had experience; can give best of reference. Ad. M 40, Post-Dispatch.

MAN—Position wanted by sober man, married, as porter or night watchman; can furnish reference and bond if necessary. Ad. P 39, Post-Dispatch.

PAPER HANGER—Sit. wanted by paper hanger; will paper your room, ceiling and walls, $3. 2462 Robin av.

PATTERN MAKER—Pattern maker, with references, strictly sober, wants situation. Ad. Y 44, Post-Dispatch.

SALESMAN—Wanted, sit. as traveling salesman with a line of machinery; several years' experience handling mill machinery. Address Salesman, Box 146, Greenville, Mo.

STENOGRAPHER—Sit. wanted as stenographer and office work; five years; good penman; best references; moderate salary. Ad. L 41, Post-Dispatch.

TELEGRAPH OPERATORS—I want an opportunity to copy actual work in telegraph office for 2 or 3 months to finish up; will pay liberal for such practice. Address H 43, Post-Dispatch.

WALL PAPER—Cleaned, 50c per room and up; woodwork washed. Grand Av. Co., 1701 N. Grand.

WATCHMAN—Licensed watchman wants situation; experienced; reference furnished. Ad. N 37, Post-Dispatch.

WATCHMAN—Sit. wanted by German as night watchman, or any work in grocery business; best references and bond given. Ad. L 46, Post-Dispatch.

WATCHMAN—Sit. wanted wanted by day or night watchman; sober and reliable; reference. Ad. D 39, Post-Dispatch.

HELP WANTED—MALE.

AUCTION sale Wednesday, Feb. 21, 10:30; stationery, toys, books, fixtures, etc. 7005 S. Broadway.

BAKER WANTED—Good 2d-hand baker; at once. 1716 Franklin av.

BARBER WANTED—First-class barber; $12 per week. 1922 N. Grand av.

BARBER WANTED—A first-class barber. 1919 Olive st.

BARBER WANTED—Good barber, steady work; being tools; no students. 3250 Olive st.

BLACKSMITH WANTED—One that can help on horseshoeing. 1316 Missouri av., East St. Louis.

BOYS WANTED—Terry Harris' $1.98 shoes; made for good wear. 320 Pine st.

BOY WANTED—Boy to do errands; references required. 3433 Pine st.

BOY WANTED—Boy to learn the carriage blacksmith trade. Ad. T 34, Post-Dispatch.

BOY WANTED—Boy to wash dishes in restaurant. 2738 Franklin.

BOY WANTED—Boy, to work in restaurant, living with parents preferred. Apply Arlington Restaurant, 7th and Morgan.

BOY WANTED—Boy to do porter work. Dilks, photographer, second floor, 2945 Olive st.

BOY WANTED—Strong boy, 16 to 18 years, for schools; must understand milking and willing to be generally useful. Ad with references, 208 N. Broadway.

BOYS WANTED—Boys and girls can quickly earn a bicycle, camera, watch, jacket, cape, shoes, etc., selling our toilet soaps to their friends; large illustrated premium list mailed free; write at once. Dawson Soap Co., 5658 Fifth av., Chicago.

CASH for acceptable ideas; write if patented. Ad. The Patent Record, Baltimore, Md.

CLERK WANTED—Young man as grocery clerk. Apply at once. 4509 N. 9th st.

COOK WANTED—Man cook, who thoroughly understands cheap restaurant cooking. 327 Market st.

COOPERS, take notice, trouble at Murphysboro, Ill.; please stay away. By order of Committee.

CUTTERS WANTED—Trimming cutters, lining cutters on men's fine shoes. Desnoyers Shoe Co., 21st and Lucas av.

CUTTERS AND TAILORS—Write for particulars of Appel Bros.' boxwood pant scale; it is quick, accurate and reliable. Appel Bros., Port Huron, Mich.

HELP WANTED—MALE.

CUTTERS WANTED—On men's fine shoes, and lasters. Desnoyers, 21st st. and Lucas av.

DISHWASHER WANTED—Man dishwasher; at once. 926 N. Broadway.

DRIVER WANTED—Good, honest, sober, stout driver for grocery wagon; $7; must live in North St. Louis. Apply 1111 Salisbury.

FLORIST WANTED—A single florist wanted by Kluchenkemper, 5014 Maryland av., near Baden.

LABORERS WANTED—Apply American Car & Foundry Co., 2800 DeKalb st.

MACHINISTS WANTED—Apply American Car & Foundry Co., Madison, Ill.

MAN WANTED—Good experienced German man, in second hand business; must know city; references. 1531 Franklin.

MAN WANTED—Thoroughly competent man to take charge of electric light plant in Arkansas; must understand and be able to repair electric machinery and engine. Apply to G. Richter, room 220 Rialto Bldg.

MAN WANTED—An A 1 matrix fitter; one year's employment at good wages; piece or time guaranteed. Barnhart Bros. & Spindler, Chicago.

MAN WANTED—Man of common school education, to work in city; good inducements to right party. 2731 Franklin.

MAN WANTED—Experienced man to pull over uppers on men's work for Chase's lasting machine. Mound City B. & S. Co., 1507 S. 8th st.

MAN WANTED—A gentleman in this city to represent a mining company. Ad. the Alaska Gold Mining Association, Fort Wrangel, Alaska.

MAN WANTED—Young man, about 21, as stenographer and general office assistant; good chance for advancement; state previous experience and salary expected. Ad. F 54, Post-Dispatch.

MEN WANTED—Experienced pressers on vests; good pay, steady work all year. 2835 S. 7th st., upstairs.

MEN WANTED—To stop at Grace Hotel, 414 Market; rooms 25c day; $1.50 week and up.

MEN WANTED—15 men, at 1504 Pine st. E. Whelan & Co.

MEN WANTED—Men, on 2d and Salisbury sts. Carroll Contracting Co.

MEN WANTED—Men to learn barber trade; only eight weeks required; special offer now for graduates to work for us; 500 positions open; few hold; can earn tuition by bringing four students; our catalogue, explaining special offer, mailed free. Moler College, 1141 Market st.

MEN WANTED—Commercial travelers to take Advance Metal Polish as a side line; commissions are large; it is of every-day use in store, factory, office and every household; it will add $100 per week to the income of a salesman without interfering with his regular lines. Ad. for testimonials and terms to salesmen.
ADVANCE CHEMICAL MFG. CO., 708 Olive st., St. Louis, Mo.

MEN WANTED—The "Magnolia Bar," s. e. cor. 14th and Olive, makes the celebrated Magnolia Cocktails, Punches, etc., at 10c per drink; old Kentucky bourbon and rye. Frank M. Brooks & Co.

PRINTER WANTED—A first-class bill of fare printer; will be man have interest in firm if right party; must have best of reference; state full particulars in answer. Ad. E 49, Post-Dispatch.

PRIVATE diseases a specialty at Franklin Avenue Free Dispensary. 1214 Franklin av.

SAW FILER WANTED—One first-class band saw filer, steady work. Ad. F 48, Post-Dispatch.

SHOEMAKERS WANTED—All edge trimmers and setters are requested to stay away from factories where trouble is pending. Ex. Board, Local 200, B. & S. W. I.

SHOEMAKER WANTED—A good shoemaker; by the week or piece; new and repairing. McNamara, 110 N. 6th st.

SHOE REPAIRER WANTED—First-class shoe repairer; immediately. At Matthews', 1019 Vandeventer av.

STRIPPERS WANTED—Boys to strip tobacco. 805 N. 4th st.

"THE MAGNOLIA," 14th and Olive, Frank M. Brooks & Co., handle only union label cigars and beer. Lemp's special brews on tap; drinks of all kinds. 10c; open until 2:15 a. m.

TRIMMER WANTED—Forepart trimmer on men's work. Home-Made Shoe Co., 1520 N. 12th st.

WAGONS WANTED—Big bed wagons for hauling debris from 218 Chestnut st. Call at Missouri Tent and Awning Co.

WAITER WANTED—Experienced male waiter. 705 Pine st.

WRECKERS WANTED—25 experienced wreckers. Broadway and Franklin av. Kennath & Kelly.

WOODWORKER WANTED—By Fruin-Bambrick Construction Co., 500 S. Spring av.

YOUNG MAN WANTED—Immediately, young man with several years' experience in drug store. 901 N. Compton av.

STOVE REPAIRS
For every stove or range made in the United States to be had at A. G. BRAUER'S, 719 Locust st.

SALESMEN WANTED.
14 Words or Less, 20 Cents.

SALESMAN WANTED—Awning salesman. 19 S. 10th st.

SALESM., WANTED—City salesman, to sell for the St. Louis Cigar Co. 514 Pine.

SALESMEN WANTED—$250 a month and expenses, samples free. 26 Ridge Bldg., Kansas City, Mo.

SALESMAN WANTED—Real estate salesman; on commission; leading firm; chance for right person; give experience and reference.

SALESMAN WANTED—Man who has had some experience as salesman, $18 per week to right man; permanent; references. Conroy Bros., 1007½ Olive st.

SALESMAN WANTED—Young man, city salesman; handsome salary; must have $75; investigate at once. Ad. M 49, Post-Dispatch.

SALESMAN WANTED—For hardware in St. Louis and surrounding towns; permanent position to energetic party; experience not necessary. Ad. drese, with stamp, The Ohio Automobile & Wrench Co., 16 Wick block, Cleveland, O.

CANVASSERS AND SOLICITORS.
14 Words or Less, 20 Cents.

SOLICITORS WANTED—Life insurance men; unexcelled opportunities. 813 Chemical Bldg.

PARTNERS WANTED.
14 Words or Less, 20 Cents.

PARTNER WANTED—Hustling partner; $150; established; profitable mail order office business. Ad. W 49, Post-Dispatch.

INVESTMENT in new automatic musical picture machine will pay you 10 per cent weekly; see samples. Room 806, Planters' Hotel.

AGENTS WANTED.
14 Words or Less, 20 Cents.

AGENTS WANTED—Agents; complete life of Moody, by his son and Sankey, authorized family edition; big profits; outfit free; credit given; freight paid. Martin De Garmo Co., Cincinnati, O.

AGENTS WANTED—Agents, everywhere, start in business for yourself without capital; new, pleasant and a sure money maker; also good for ladies who wish to earn money at home; particulars free. J. Christopher, 1426 N. 14th st.

AGENTS WANTED—Hustling agents to sell our M. & M. arc lamp; equals electric arc in brilliancy; costs 1c per hour. Martin & Morehead, 57 W. Washington st., Chicago.

AGENTS WANTED $56.50 weekly, introducing Gaslight Burner for kerosene lamps; sample free. M. W. Luther Mfg. Co., Cincinnati, O.

AGENTS WANTED—Send $1 to Asme Jewelry Co., Mermod & Jaccard bldg., St. Louis, receive by return mail 1 dozen Transvaal gold shirt studs.

AGENTS WANTED—Subscription solicitors; greatest money maker for 1900; $5 to $15 day easily; Paris Exposition Illustrated as we did the World's Fair now ready; greatest seller of the century; apply for territory; inclose 10 cents in stamps for sample copy and instructions, mention this paper. Ad. Campbell's Illustrated Journal, Chicago.

AGENTS WANTED—Agents, $75 per month, extra commissions, expenses, steady employment. W. H. Foulkrod, Jr., Springfield, Mass.

AGENTS WANTED—Join our benefit association, now just started, pay nightly. W. J. Bryan's latest photograph free. Murillo, 1314 Olive st.

AGENTS WANTED—Photo agents, salary, give away prize tickets. Bishop's Studio, 1503 Washington av.

AGENTS WANTED—House to house agents, salary year round. U. S. Mfg. Co., 1503 Washington av.

BIG offer to agents; diamond ring contest; big com. on each ticket paid weekly. Gorelli, 923 Olive.

SITUATIONS WANTED—FEMALE.
20 Words or Less, 5 Cents.

CHAMBERMAID—Situation wanted as chambermaid by neat, reliable young colored woman. 434 S. 14th st.

COOK—Sit. wanted by first-class colored cook; good reference. 3028 Fairfax av.

COOK—Sit. wanted by young lady for plain cooking; no washing; small family; wages $12. Ad. L 400, Post-Dispatch.

SITUATIONS WANTED—FEMALE.
20 Words or Less. 5 Cents.

COOK—Sit. wanted by competent cook; best references. 723 N. Jefferson.

COOK—Sit. wanted as cook; by the week; first-class reference. 4020 Finney av.

COOK—Woman wants work; cook, wash, iron, or laundry; call Wednesday. 4110 Page av.

COOK—Sit. wanted by first-class cook; no objection to assist with washing; good references; please call. 1804 Morgan.

COOK—Sit. wanted by first-class cook and laundress; best references; please call. 1804 Morgan.

DRESSMAKER—Dressmaker would like a few more engagements; $1.25. 4234A Finney av.

DRESSMAKER—Dressmaker desires a few more engagements, $1.50 a day; fine skirts a specialty. 3983½ Finney av.

DRESSMAKER—First-class dressmaker wishes few more engagements in families; reference. Ad. L 37, Post-Dispatch.

GIRL—Sit. wanted by girl, 14 years old, for clothes, board and schooling. 3547 Wisconsin av., first floor.

GIRL—Sit. wanted by experienced laboratory girl, or office work. Ad. Miss J. G., 1406 Sullivan av.

GIRL—An experienced girl wishes position as cook or housegirl; no laundry work preferred; state wages. Ad. H 49, Post-Dispatch.

GIRL—Young girl would like position in office; doctor's preferred. 2514A Coleman st.

GIRL—Wanted, good home for child 14 years; small, first-class family; will do housework. Call 2967 Franklin av., rear.

HOUSEGIRL—Wanted, by a girl of 15 years, a position for general housework, without small children preferred. 3043 Olive st.

HOUSEGIRL—Sit. wanted by young lady to do light housework and nursing; no postals answered. 3119 Thomas st.

HOUSEGIRL—Sit. wanted by girl to help with general housework. 124 S. 14th st.

HOUSEGIRL—Sit. wanted by German girl to do general housework; small family. 2940 Gwar.

HOUSEGIRL—Sit. wanted as nurse and light housework, by young girl. 1015 Elliot av.

HOUSEGIRL—Sit. wanted by girl for house or general housework, in small family; no postals answered. 1003 Washington.

HOUSEGIRL—Sit. wanted as nursegirl and housework; no postals. 3716 N. 13th st.

HOUSEKEEPER—Wanted, by capable woman of experience, sit. as housekeeper; good seamstress and nice cooks; honest; best reference. Ad. N 54, Post-Dispatch.

HOUSEKEEPER—Wanted, position as housekeeper by middle-aged lady; best of references, by present employer. Call 3319 Shenandoah av.

HOUSEKEEPER—Sit. wanted by widow as housekeeper for widower or bachelor. 3114 Oregon.

HOUSEKEEPER—Gentleman giving up housekeeping recommends first-class housekeeper; fine cook and manager; had charge of my house and children four years. Ad. N 40, Post-Dispatch.

HOUSEKEEPER—Sit. wanted by woman as housekeeper or good cook. Apply 1208 N. 16th st.

HOUSEKEEPER—Widow with one child, wishes sit. as housekeeper; experienced. Apply 3206 Laclede av.

HOUSEKEEPER—Respectable lady would like position as housekeeper. Address N 38, Post-Dispatch.

HOUSEKEEPER—Young lady would like position as housekeeper. Call at 1117 Pine st. Mrs. E. Henson; room 2.

HOUSEWOMAN—Sit. wanted by an elderly woman; light housework; for children; no kitchen work. 1731 N. 12th st.

HOUSEWOMAN—Sit. wanted by middle-aged woman to do general housework; references. Woman's Training School, 1728 Locust st.

LADY—Refined, neat young lady, about 22, desires situation in office; best of references. Ad. K 48, Post-Dispatch.

LADY—Experienced young lady wishes a position in confectionery or bakery. Ad. K 52, Post-Dispatch.

LADY—A bright young lady, an orphan, aged 20 years, who has been suddenly thrown upon her own exertions for support, desires a situation in an office; will work for small salary until competent. Ad. B 49, Post-Dispatch.

LADY—Wanted, position by young lady in office; has had some experience; also stenographer; small salary to start. Ad. G 48, Post-Dispatch.

LAUNDRESS—Wanted, laundry work; to go out by day; first-class laundress. 4036A Fairfax av.

LAUNDRESS—Wanted, washing and ironing, to take home or will go out. 3512 Cozens av.

LAUNDRESS—An experienced laundress, with reference, wants washing to take home. Write or call, Mrs. Patterson, 603 S. Ewing av.

LAUNDRESS—Laundress wants work Tuesday and Wednesday to do out; colored. 4149 Fairfax av.

LAUNDRESS—Laundress wants washing to take home. 1913 Whittier st.

NURSE—Sit. wanted by experienced nurse, for confinement. G. M., 1819 Chouteau av.

NURSE—Sit. wanted by colored nurse; care of baby and assist housework or sewing. 2610 Stoddard st.

STENOGRAPHER—Wanted, position by lady stenographer; experienced, rapid, accurate; will leave city; West preferred. Ad. K 40, Post-Dispatch.

STENOGRAPHER—Wanted, afternoon position by young lady stenographer; 3 years' experience; employed mornings; $4 week. Ad. R 40, Post-Dispatch.

STENOGRAPHER—Lady stenographer with limited experience wants position; good penman; moderate salary. Ad. N 52, Post-Dispatch.

STENOGRAPHER—Experienced lady stenographer and bookkeeper wants position; moderate salary; best references; good penman. Ad. N 50, Post-Dispatch.

STENOGRAPHER—Wanted, position by young lady stenographer, typewriter and bookkeeper. Ad. H 123, Post-Dispatch.

WOMAN—Wanted, by middle-aged woman, place for general housework, without washing. Call 924 N. 17th st.; no postals answered.

WOMAN—Middle-aged woman wants sit. in small family; no washing or ironing. Ad. W 40, Post-Dispatch.

WOMAN—Sit. wanted by capable, steady woman; cook in small boarding house; good references. 819 N. 21st st., upstairs, rear.

WOMAN—Sit. wanted by a woman with child, in family of adults; small wages. 1622 Washington.

WOMAN—Sit. wanted by young, neat colored woman; work in doctor's office, or as nurse. 2930½ Biddle st.

WOMAN—Wanted, by settled woman, care of infant; will do general work for small family. Ad. G 52, Post-Dispatch.

WOMAN—Wanted, by a reliable woman, house cleaning or scrubbing, by day or week; best references. Call 1229 N. 9th st., rear.

HELP WANTED—FEMALE.
14 Words or Less, 10 Cents.
Business Announcements, 10 Cents Per Line.

APPRENTICE WANTED—Apprentice for dressmaking. 3458 Pine st.

BASTERS WANTED—Basters and finishers on coats. 1243 Carr st.

BASTERS WANTED—Experienced basters on vests; good pay, steady work; call at once. 278 Lesperance st., rear.

COMPANION WANTED—Widow, with small family, desires middle-aged, agreeable lady for companion and be useful in general. Call or write 1 SISCA Fairmount av.

COMPOSITOR WANTED—Lady compositor, bank directory department. Gast, 21st and Morgan.

COOK WANTED—Girl to cook, wash and iron; family of two. Apply 4432 West Belle pl.

COOK WANTED—Girl as cook and general servant in small family; two girls kept. 3216 Washington av.

COOK WANTED—Swede or Norwegian girl, cook and general housework; call morning. 4960 Maryland av.

COOK WANTED—Experienced cook and laundress; German preferred; three in family. 3824 Delmar av.

COOK WANTED—Good, reliable cook. 3801 Delmar av.

COOK WANTED—A colored cook, at 3621 Washington av.; come ready for work.

COOK WANTED—Girl to cook, wash and iron. 3316 Lucas av.

COOK WANTED—Middle-aged woman to help cook; one that can go home nights. 718 N. Leffingwell av.

COOK WANTED—A good cook; white or colored. Apply 5025 Cabanne av.

COOK WANTED—Woman of 35; one that can cook and do general housework; willing to work in restaurant; one looking for good home; more than money. 6741 Manchester av. Benton.

COOK WANTED—Cook, with good references, for small family. Apply at 4229 Washington av.

COOK WANTED—Cook to wash and iron for family of two; call at once. 3649 Laclede av.

COOK WANTED—Girl to cook, wash and iron; small family. 5007 Washington av.

COOK WANTED—Experienced cook; best city references. 4536 Westminster pl.

COOK, WASHER AND IRONER WANTED—Apply 3022 Bell av.

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14 words or less, 10 cents.
Business Announcements, 10 cents per line.

COOK WANTED—Experienced cook; small family; no washing; good wages; German preferred. 5431 Cabanne av.

DISHWASHER WANTED—Female dishwasher. At Nagle's, 6th and St. Charles sts.

FINISHERS WANTED—Experienced finishers on pants. Apply 915 Soulard st., above bakery.

FINISHERS WANTED—Finishers on custom pants. Apply at 810 N. 9th st., third floor.

GIRL WANTED—Experienced colored girl, to cook, wash and iron; family of 4. 4102 West Belle pl.

GIRL WANTED—A girl to help around the house. 1206 Spruce st.

GIRL WANTED—10 experienced finishing off girls. St. Louis Paper Box Co., 202 S. Commercial st.

GIRL WANTED—Dining room girl. 1517 Franklin av.

GIRLS WANTED—Experienced overall and jumper makers. Call 913 N. 17th st.

GIRL WANTED—Waistmaker. Call 2945A Montgomery st.

GIRL WANTED—Girl; must sleep at home. 3518 Lindell.

GIRLS WANTED—Girls, to run punching and eyeletting machines. Desnoyers, 21st and Lucas.

GIRLS WANTED—Girls to sew pants by machine; also girl to press. 614 Barry st.

GIRL WANTED—Experienced pants finisher; good pay. 1011 Mound st.

GIRL WANTED—Girl at Green Tree Hotel, 201 Broadway, East St. Louis.

GIRLS WANTED—Experienced girls to operate sewing machines. N. & J. Friedman, 415 N. 8th st.

GIRL WANTED—Hand sewer on fine custom pants. 420 Market st., top floor.

GIRLS WANTED—Girls on overalls; don't miss our beautiful little north branch. 2700 N. 9th st. Jokerst Mfg. Co.

GIRL WANTED—Hand sewer on vests. 2900 Miami av.

GIRLS WANTED—Girls experienced in sewing straw hats. St. Louis Straw Works, 902 N. 6th st.

GIRL WANTED—A girl to assist in boarding house. Apply 4117 N. Broadway.

GIRL WANTED—Girl to learn dressmaking. 2320 S. 10th st.

GIRLS WANTED—Experienced girls for plain sewing. Apply at 114 N. 9th st., in store.

GIRLS WANTED—Girl to hand sew on custom pants; also girl to learn. 1117 Franklin, second floor.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Girl for general housework; family of three. 3121 Clifton pl., one block east of Grand and Easton.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—A good girl for general housework; no cooking. Apply 3338 Chestnut st.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Girl to do general housework in small family. 779 Enright av.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Girl to do general housework; small family; good wages. 3646 Flad av.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Girl for general housework; small family; German preferred. 3535 Vernon av.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—A good housegirl. 1819 Geyer av.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—A girl for general housework. Call at 1216 N. 20th st.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Girl for general housework; small family. 1168 Stewart pl.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Girl for general housework, or to assist in general housework. 3351 Sidney st.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—German girl for general kitchen work. 706 S. Broadway.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Girl for housework, about 3 years old. 222 S. Beaumont st.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Girl for general housework; references required. 1049 Hodiamont av.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—White girl for general housework. 2804 Franklin av.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Girl for general housework. 3113 Olive st.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—German girl for general housework; call Wednesday. 1200 N. 21st st.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Girl for general housework; three in family; $12 to $14. 3511 Kossuth.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Girl for general housework; call to-morrow morning. 3469 Pine st.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Girl to assist with housework. 3624 North Market st.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—German girl for general housework. 4113 Morgan st.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Girl for housework. 3045 Thomas st.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Steady colored woman for general housework. 4062 Morgan st.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Girl for general housework; two in family. 3292 Shenandoah av.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Good German girl for general housework; apply at once. 1918 Hickory st.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Girl for general housework. Apply at 3734 Cook av.

HUSEGIRL WANTED—Girl for general housework in family of two; one who can go home nights. Apply at 2722 Walnut st.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Young German girl to assist with general housework. 2706 S. Jefferson av.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Girl for general housework. 1428 Temple pl.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Girl for general housework; good home; good wages. 4721 Cottage.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Girl for general housework; good cook; no washing or ironing. 814 St. Charles.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Girl for general housework; small family; good work. 2615 Lafayette av.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Experienced girl to do general housework, washing and ironing. 4335 Page av.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—A white girl for general housework; no washing. Call at furniture store, 710 N. 7th st.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Young girl to assist in general housework. 2707 Ann av.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Girl for general housework. 701 S. 4th st.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—German girl for general housework. 2336 Whitemore pl.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Competent German girl for house and dining room work. 3407 Lafayette av.

HOUSEWOMAN WANTED—Woman to do general housework. 1522 Washington.

HOUSEWOMAN WANTED—For general housework, a middle-aged white woman; small family. 3438 St. Vincent.

HOUSEWOMAN WANTED—Colored woman; general housework; no washing; must go home nights. 3805 Windsor pl.

HOUSEWOMAN WANTED—Middle-aged woman for general housework; must be good cook; small family. 900 S. 7th st.

IRONERS WANTED—Experienced ironers to press and fold ladies' muslin underwear. S. Grabfinske, 715 N. 7th st.

LADIES and girls wanted to make samples for us at their homes, either whole or part time, as we pay by the piece; good pay and steady work all winter; no previous experience required. Acme Mfg. Co., 4th floor, Public Bldg., 904 Olive st.

LADIES WANTED—Ladies on profitable and paying work; furnished trimming; per foot; earn best throughout; for sample, Address Beatrice J. Mayer, St. Louis P. O., by letter.

LADIES WANTED—Ladies to advertise; $5 week and car fare. Godfrey Co., 204 N. 3d st., room 22.

MACHINE HANDS WANTED—Experienced machine hands, buttons, steady under pressure to work on shop coats; good wages paid, steady work. 919 Morgan st.

MACHINE OPERATORS WANTED—30 machine operators; experienced and learners; constant work for steady industrious girls. Comodline Mfg. Co., 2210 and 2212 Pine st.

MILLINERY TRIMMERS WANTED
First class millinery trimmers to begin work at once; only first-class trimmers need apply.
STRAUSS & STUMER,
Room 226, Mermod & Jaccard Bldg.

NURSE WANTED—Reliable young woman to nurse two children. 4371 Laclede av.

NURSEGIRL WANTED—Girl to take care of children and assist in housework. 4225 Page av.

NURSEGIRL WANTED—Young nursegirl for child of three; work by day. 1748 Waverly pl.

NURSE WANTED—Competent nurse, between 20 and 30 years, to take charge of young children. 5121 McPherson.

NURSEGIRL WANTED—German preferred. 3524 Victor st.

OVERALL MAKERS WANTED—Overall makers. 913 S. 7th st.

OVERALL MAKERS WANTED—Experienced overall makers; best prices and steady employment. E. & W. Mfg. Co., 1408 S. 8th st.

RUBICAM'S Shorthand College, Union Trust Bldg.; exclusively for young women; individual instruction; positions secured for graduates.

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14 Words or Less, 10 Cents.
Business Announcements, 10 Cents Per Line.

SEAMSTRESS WANTED—Seamstress to do sewing at home. Call at E. & W. Mfg. Co., 1408 S. 8th st.

STENOGRAPHERS WANTED—Elegant practice, room and employment department; free, free, free. Century Bldg. The Oliver Typewriter Co.

STITCHER WANTED—Experienced stitcher on ladies' shoes. Hufnagel Shoe Co.

TRIMMERS WANTED—Experienced trimmers and girls handy with needle, to learn. Olive Hat Mfg. Co., 1824 Morgan st.

WAISTMAKER WANTED—Experienced waistmaker; also skirtmaker; only those experienced need apply. 3836A Finney av.

WOMAN WANTED—A white woman; in a rooming house. Apply 417 Morgan st.

"REPAIRS FOR ANY OLD STOVE."
FOLSILEW, 111 N. 12th st. Phone, C 97.

LAUNDRY HELP WANTED.
14 words or less, 10 cents.

GIRL WANTED—Girl to assist in collar department. Security Laundry, 747 S. 18th st.

LAUNDRESS WANTED—A lady clothes ironer. Security Laundry, 2948 Cass av.

LAUNDRESS WANTED—One 1st-class starcher; South Side Laundry, 1405 S. Broadway.

LOST AND FOUND.
14 Words or Less, 20 Cents.

Lost.

BRACELET—Lost, child's gold chain bracelet; padlock, one heart. Return Bookkeeper, F. A. Steel, and receive reward.

BRASSES, ETC.—$25 cash will be paid for the recovery of brasses, oil cups and fire extinguishers stolen from H. P. R. Co.'s works on or about Friday, Feb. 9. Ad. W 47, Post-Dispatch.

COLLARETTE—Lost, black and white fox collarette, on Grand, between East-in and Cottage ave., Saturday evening. Return to Engler's Bakery, 3769 Cass av.; reward.

DOG—Lost, a St. Bernard, from 3250A S. Jefferson av. Monday evening; rough coat, light tan color, white feet and tip of tail; 29 inches high; answers to name of Major. Return and receive reward from F. Langenecker, 3250A S. Jefferson.

FAND BAG—Lost, black satin hand bag, in basement of Grand-Leader, Monday afternoon. Return to Grand-Leader and receive reward.

HANDKERCHIEF—Lost, lace handkerchief, at Rickwater Billes' ball, Union Club, Friday night; lady's lace embroidered handkerchief; reward if returned to Mrs. E. J. M., 1212 Dodson st.

LOCKET PIN—Lost, chosen friend locket pin; monogram G. S. G. Return to Mrs. Chas. Grossan, 7009 Minnesota av. and receive reward.

POCKETBOOK—Lost, lady's pocketbook. Return to Murphy Studio, 1314 Olive st.; reward.

PURSE—Lost, a brown purse, containing gold locket, with monogram S. L., 1899, and two keys, with black silk cord, between 1018 S. 18th st. and 18th and Park av. Reward at 1802 Dolman st.

RING—Lost, little girl's gold chased band ring, between Hunt and Manchester, Hyde and Newstead. Return to 4371 Hunt av. and receive reward.

WALLET—Lost, in Olympic circle, black wallet, $10, letters, N. Y. Central ticket stub, etc.; finder please leave at theater and receive reward. Geo. C. Cook, Boulder Club.

WATCH—Lost, Monday evening, near Olive and Jefferson, lady's gold watch and pin; please return, 2025 Pine; liberal reward.

WATCH—Lost, Monday evening, lady's gold watch, chain fob; Broadway, between Olympic Theater and Washington av.; reward if returned to 1115 Fullerton Bldg.

Found.

POCKETBOOK—Found, pocketbook, Monday afternoon, at Imperial. Call Wednesday, 701 N. 24 st.

SPECTACLES—Found, Friday, a pair of gold rimmed spectacles, on Market st. Ad. L 52, Post-Dispatch.

BUSINESS CHANCES.
14 Words or Less, 20 Cents.

BUSINESS CHANCE—For sale, one-half interest to gentleman or lady, in a preferable and desirable established manufacturing business; very little capital required. Ad. C 49, Post-Dispatch.

BUSINESS CHANCE—A manufacturing corporation, in order to supply increasing demand for its product, wants $20,000, on which it will guarantee, through trust company, an annual dividend of not less than 6 per cent, and will make party treasurer of company, if desired, at good salary; closest investigation solicited and references given and required. Call or address room 321, Lincoln Trust Bldg.

BUSINESS WANTED.
14 Words or Less, 20 Cents.

BUSINESS—All kinds—Sold quickly, without publicity; listing and papers drawn free; straight forward business.
McKEE-HARTNAGEL REALTY CO., incorporated under Mo. laws. 1134 Chestnut st.

BUSINESS FOR SALE.
14 Words or Less, 20 Cents.

AUCTION sale Wednesday, Feb. 21, 10:30; stationery, toys, books, fixtures, etc. 7005 S. Broadway.

GROCERY STORE—For sale, grocery store; a bargain; corner 22d and Dickson.

MEAT MARKET—For sale, meat market; cheap; must sell

HOUSEHOLD GOODS WANTED.
14 Words or Less, 20 Cents.

FEATHERS WANTED—Old feathers; will pay 42c per lb.; send postal. Thos. Greenwood, 3120 S. 9th.

FEATHERS—Old, hospital used; highest price; postal card. Gem Feather Renovating Co., 3021 S. Broadway.

HIGHEST cash prices paid for furniture, pianos, carpets, feather beds or entire contents of flats and stores. Wolf, 18 S. 11th st. Phone C 465.

HIGHEST price paid for furniture and feathers. Beninger, 716 Walton av.; write a postal.

HOUSEHOLD GOODS WANTED—Highest cash prices paid for household goods, contents of houses, flats or stores. W. Jones, 1143 Olive.

HOUSEHOLD goods wanted. I buy furniture, carpets, or bids; small lots, like 2210 Wash.

HOUSEHOLD Goods WANTED—Complete furniture of 6 or 7-room house, oak preferred; must be cheap. Al G. 49, Post-Dispatch.

OLD FEATHERS WANTED—Will pay 45c per pound; send postal. S. Bertman, 112 N. 9th st.

I PAY 50c and 55c per pound for feathers. M. Sherman, 2128 Olive st.; send postal.

PARTIES thinking housekeeping see us before selling household furniture, pianos, carpets, etc.; highest price paid. Mr. Leonori, Rm. 1, 1120-22 Olive st.

SELL Corsons eggs, cooked or fried, 25c. Wm. G. Milford, 209 N. 6th st.

HOUSEHOLD GOODS FOR SALE.

Furniture.

FURNITURE for sale, one bedroom suite and kitchen. 1120 Warren.

FURNITURE for sale; furniture of four bedrooms. 3922 Washington av.

FURNITURE—Furniture, 24 hand stoves, carpets; for sale cheap. N. Y. Storage Co., 224 and Wash.

Sewing Machines.

SEWING MACHINE for sale, and Domestic sewing machine, with attachments, $7. 3856 Hartford st.

SEWING MACHINE—Improved Singer sewing machine, complete, perfect condition, cheap. 3662A Finney av.

SEWING MACHINES—Sing. $7, one Domestic, $7, one White, $8. Sure Sew Home, 8 S. Jefferson, 1st floor, near Olive. Kinloch C 1262; open evenings.

SEWING MACHINES—For sale, sewing machines of all makes, all kinds of drop head machines, $10 up; drop head, $20 up; 50 used machines, $5 up; high arm drop head, $15.50 up; all guaranteed. 1216 Franklin av. Kinloch D 1972.

Stoves, Ranges, Etc.

COOK STOVE—Buck's Brilliant cook stove, practically new; cost $25; at 8c. 708 N. High st.

RANGE—Blue Charter Oak range, like new; at $7; cost $40. 710 N. High st.

RANGE—Home Comfort steel range, 4-hole, $7.50; nice order. 708 N. High st.

Miscellaneous.

HOUSEHOLD Goods—For sale, two mirror sideboards, dressers, beds, rugs, velvet rugs all sizes; 3-ply ingrain from $2 up. 1404 Franklin.

HOUSEHOLD Goods—For sale, handsome oak dining room set. A, care of 5800 W. Cabanne p.

HOUSEHOLD Goods—For sale, bedroom set, $3; Singer machine, $1.50; bed lounge, $1.50; wardrobe, dresser, heating stove. 1504 S. 11th.

HOUSEHOLD Goods—Iron beds, carpets, Brussels, velvet, ingrain, oak dining room set, $40; chiffonier, $5; oak bedroom set, $25; 9x12 rugs, $2; 3-ply ingrain from $2 up. 1404 Franklin.

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DANCING.
14 Words or Less, 20 Cents.

DANCING—Miss Hardy's select dancing academy; classes Tuesday and Saturday evenings; reception Thursday, 20c per couple. 911 N. Vandeventer. Phone Kinloch C 2195.

DANCING—Only $3 to learn dancing; class or private lessons. Prof. Adams, 3127 Olive st.

DANCING—Plank's Dancing Academy's reception best Friday; dances will be rendered in most selected music by Prof. Thomas Jefferson and Cass Carr; 25c per couple. Entrance free.

DANCING—I will teach any couple home for $5; parts of Prof. Schultze's Hall, Jefferson and Olive, Friday night, Feb. 23; ladies, don't miss this.

SEND 25c for Prof. De Honey's self-teaching dancing lesson and call book. 2827 Olive st.

LEARN TO DANCE FOR $3.00.

Prof. de Honey, the expert dancing master, will teach you the waltz and Twostep perfectly in strictly private lessons for the above price. He covers the professor's entire education, with music and lady assistant, or will sell a full term of three months' classes for $3.00 and will guarantee to teach you all the latest and popular dances in one lesson; call at once and take advantage of these prices, for I will teach you more for $3 than any other teacher in the city can teach you for $10, and in order to prove my superiority I will pay $500 to any dancing teacher in St. Louis who can dance the waltz and Twostep as well or teach them as quickly as I do. Any one accepting this challenge should deposit their money with the Post-Dispatch before notifying me, otherwise the public will know they are rank fakes and I will not recognize them. J. H. de Honey, private lesson academy, 2827 Olive st.; lessons day or evening.

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ABSOLUTELY FIRE-PROOF STORAGE—New warehouse; Grand and Laclede avs.; for safe-keeping of furniture, pianos, pictures, trunks, boxes, etc.; carefully moving, packing, shipping, etc.; money advanced; get our rates; telephone C 906. R. U. Leonori, Jr., & Co., 1219-21 Olive.

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Branch office, 1005 Pine st.
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MISCELLANEOUS WANTS.
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BARRELS WANTED—Coal oil barrels; empty; good condition; state price. Ad. N 48, Post-Dispatch.

COUNTER WANTED—An L counter. 1308 N. Grand av.

DOGS—Any one owe you anything? I will buy the account. Al D 46, Post-Dispatch.

FUR AND SKINS—Of all kinds dressed and tanned. W. F. Osburn, Farrier, Shrewsbury, St. Louis.

SEE Rino's 25c per doz Mantelos. 1047 N. Grand av.

Old Gold Diamonds and Silver. Bring it to 103 N. 6th st. and get the highest cash price paid.

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FOR SALE—Ten R. I. P. A. N. S. for 5 cents at druggists. One gives relief.

MOBILE school system, any style, per dozen, 25c. Wm. G. Milford, 209 N. 6th st.

OYSTER patties, 25c. Wm. G. Milford, 209 N. 6th st.

SEE Rino's 25c per dozen Mantelos. 1047 N. Grand av.

WATCH—For sale, a gold Elgin watch, cost $50; needs some repairing; will sell for $20. Ad. W 48, Post-Dispatch.

WHOLESALE retail dealer in old iron, machinery, metals, office, yards, 1435 N. 8th st. J. Milner, Kinloch, D 1624.

SELLNER GAS AND ELECTRIC FIXTURE Manufacturing Co., 703-5-7-9 Locust st., St. Louis, Mo., manufacturers of Gas and Electric Fixtures, wholesale and retail.

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Will sell you more and better goods for the money than any house in the West. We keep a full line of Fresh and Salt Water Fish, Oysters, Lobsters, Shrimp, etc. Mail Orders Promptly Filled. See Our Retail Department. Both Phones. 419 Franklin Av.

PERSONAL.
14 Words or Less, 20 Cents.

PERSONAL—Mrs. L. Dea Lise: Received note too late; write again; make another date.

PERSONAL—Young lady addressed "K" 46; please address again; suspense worse than reality. Ad. W 54, Post-Dispatch.

PERSONAL—Party with the violet hat, meet young man at 7th and St. Charles sts., 4 o'clock to-day. Address K 49, Post-Dispatch.

PERSONAL—Will lady with black skirt, blue waist, who noticed gentleman at Grand Opera House Sunday matinee and again on Broadway, kindly make appointment and give name of candy store where you stopped? Ad. N 49, Post-Dispatch.

PERSONAL—Lady taking car, 4th and Olive, noticed gentleman with high hat as she left car at 35th st., about 3 o'clock, make appointment; strictly confidential. Gentleman inserting above ad. Jan. 30 please address F 113, Post-Dispatch.

PERSONAL SUNDRIES.
14 Words or Less, 20 Cents.

ADVICE FREE; DIVORCES A SPECIALTY; LIBERAL terms; quick, confidential. ATTORNEY, 1st floor, 1002 Olive st., 2d floor; open evenings from 7 to 8 o'clock.

A FREE cure for private troubles, discharges, etc.; either sex. D. Medical Co., 107 N. 9th st.

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A1 PRINTING—Cheapest place in town. McGill & Co., 1110 Pine st.

BROILED oysters on toast, per doz., 25c. Wm. G. Milford, 209 N. 6th st.

CENTRAL LAW BUREAU, 113 N. 8th st., attends to civil, criminal and divorce cases; special attention paid to collection of accounts.

DR. EMMA HOERCH, 2209 S. 12th st.; ladies' specialist, office, 2102 Market; hours, 2 to 4 p. m.

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MRS. DR. CALLANAN treats all dis. and irregularities successfully; lowest terms. 2325 Market.

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DR. RICHMOND'S monthly regulator has brought happiness to hundreds of anxious women; have never had a single failure; longest cases relieved in two to five days without fail; no pain, no danger, no interference with work; by mail or office, $2. All letters truthfully answered.
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EVERY MAN, married or single, should not fail to visit the Grand Museum of Anatomy, 11 S. Broadway; free consultation and advice with each admission; physician always in attendance.

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LADIES—Dr. Anna Newland's Regulator never fails; try treatment free. 205 S. 14th st.

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MRS. BRIDGES, 1204 Chouteau av., ladies' doctor; no medicine. Kinloch C 777; call or write.

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MRS. DR. MURPHY receives before confinement, has no safeguard and regulator; ladies in trouble call or write. 2121 Olive st.; also 1422 O'Fallon.

MRS. DR. HOGAN receives before and during confinement; homes for infants if desired; call or write; strictly confidential. 2215 Olive st.

OLD DR. WARD, 1503 Washington av. Lady or gent in trouble from any cause, call or write; 30 years' experience; guarantee results.

SUE Rino's 25c per dozen Mantelos. 1047 N. Grand av.

LADIES OLD DR. BELL'S COTTON ROOT PILLS, the BEST. Safe, RELIABLE. Take no other. Send 4c stamp for particulars. DR. BELL, Box 718, St. Louis, Mo.

LADIES—A friend in need is a friend indeed. If you want a regulator that never fails, ad. Woman's Medical Home, Buffalo, N. Y.

ADOPTION.
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ADOPTION—Wanted, good family to adopt a beautiful, healthy baby girl. Call 205 S. 14th st.

CLAIRVOYANTS.
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MISS REGINA,
5103 McKissock Av.,
Clairvoyant, tells all you wish to know about the future; love, marriage and all affairs of life; uses no cards; tells you everything for 25c.

PAST, present and future revealed; satisfaction assured; ladies, 25c; gentlemen, 50c. Mrs. R., 2961A Market st.

SAXON, Clairvoyant, Business Medium—Accurate advice on all life's affairs; 25c. 2328 Franklin av.

MME. ROSCOE, the great fortune teller, 816 N. 18th st., between Franklin and Morgan; 25c.

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AMERICAN blind lady, true fortune teller, gives advice in marriage and business. 714 S. Broadway.

CHILD medium; tells everything; ask you no questions. 910 N. 13th, near Franklin av.

LODGES.

MOOLAH TEMPLE, A. A. O. N. M. S., will meet on Wednesday, Feb. 21, at 8 o'clock p. m., at Tuscan Hall, corner 28th st. and Washington av. GEO. T. MATTHEWS, Illustrious Potentate.
JOHN R. PARSON, Recorder.

LOANS ON PERSONAL PROPERTY.
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ALL loans on furniture, pianos or any good security done quickly and quietly; property left in your possession; loans made up in monthly payments, thus reducing loan at each payment; our terms are the lowest in the city. See us before going elsewhere. NEW YORK FINANCE CO., 202-8-9 Odd Fellows' Bldg., 9th and Olive sts.

A PRIVATE party has money to loan on furniture and pianos; easy payments; confidential and proper treatment assured. 501 Chemical Bldg.

A PRIVATE party procures loans on furniture without removal; small weekly or monthly payments accepted. Inquire 902 Franklin av., Ingenuity furnishing goods store.

ARE you a salaried employe of a firm or corporation? If you need money, see Steiner, 523 Merchant & Laclede Bldg., 8 way and Locust st.

LOANS on furniture, pianos and other security without removal; terms easy. 520 Century Bldg.

LOANS negotiated on furniture and pianos; very low rate of interest. Room 714 Holland bldg., 211 N. 7th st.

MECHANICS' FINANCE CO. lends money on furniture, pianos, sewing machines, etc., without removal; monthly payments; discount given if paid before due; bus. confidential. 1015 Morgan.

MONEY—Salaried people furnished money; loans made on furniture and pianos; easy payments. J. M. Griffin, 329 Commercial Bldg.; office hours from 1 to 6 p. m.

MONEY TO LOAN—$20 or more loaned on furniture; no publicity; terms of payment to suit borrower. 918 Pine st., room 211.

MONEY furnished salaried people and retail merchants without security; easy payments. Tolman, room 804, 211 N. 7th st.

EASY PAYMENT LOANS

On furniture and pianos; lowest possible rates; no publicity; discount if paid before due. Fidelity Brokerage Co., 904½ Olive st., room 1.

BARGAINS.
DUNN'S, 912-914 Franklin Av.
We now have on hand our new supply of Fall Clothing, which we are selling at very low prices. Overcoats $2.00 up. Suits $4.00 up. Coats and Vests $1.50 up. Single coats $1.25 up; also pants from $1.00 per pair. Call and see for yourself.
Money loaned on all articles of value; lowest rate of interest.

KEPT MONEY IN A CAN

MR. LONG OF BLUE RIDGE, WAS ASHAMED TO TELL IT.

HOW HE GOT INTO TROUBLE.

His Bills Were Rusty and Wet, So He Was Gathered in for Passing Counterfeits.

A more guileless prisoner than C. N. Long was never arraigned in the United States Court in St. Louis. Mr. Long, who has a farm near Blue Ridge, Mo., was before Commissioner Gray to answer a charge of attempting to pass counterfeit money.

After a long hearing he was discharged, but not until he had received burning words of advice from the commissioner, who intimated that if the prisoner had not been an excessively stupid young man, who shrank from ridicule, he would probably never have been arrested.

Long was taken into custody by Secret Service Agent Murphy while in an Olive street drug store Friday. A $5 bill, which he had tendered in payment for cigars, had been sent to the Subtreasury and pronounced counterfeit. When the preliminary examination began Tuesday morning it was found that some of the evidence relied upon to convict Long was not at hand. This consisted mainly of other money found on his person when he was searched at Mr. Murphy's office.

Mr. Murphy testified that a number of genuine bills which were mutilated in the same way as the one which was pronounced a counterfeit were found in Long's pocketbook. These bills as well as the one in question bore marks of iron rust and had apparently been wet. Commissioner Gray asked that the genuine bills be introduced in evidence, but Mr. Murphy said that was impossible, as they had been sent on to Washington for examination. The Inspector said the prisoner told him the money had been wet in his pocket, as he was caught in a rainstorm while plowing.

Long, when asked if he desired to make a statement told how he had got the money in payment for two horses. When asked where he kept his money he looked around sheepishly and replied:

"Well, you see, there's no bank down our way and hid it. I put it in a baking powder can and buried it under the corn crib. I guess that's how it got wet."

"If you didn't been hog-tied, you say that in the first place you wouldn't have got into trouble," said the Commissioner. "You are discharged."

TANNER GOING TO FLORIDA.

Change for the Better in Condition of the Sick Governor.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Feb. 20.—Gov. Tanner's condition is rapidly improving. He was able to sit up several hours yesterday. If his executive affairs can be arranged to accommodate him, the Governor will take a trip to Florida as soon as he is sufficiently recovered to make the journey.

Smelzer Named for Mayor.

VANDALIA, Mo., Feb. 20.—The Democratic primaries election today resulted as follows: Mayor, J. B. Smelzer, Marshall, J. R. Godpasture; Assessor, Henry Bowers; Councilmen, F. N. Frost and Dr. R. L. Atford.

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Offers through its legal staff FREE CONSULTATION and faithful service at reasonable rates. DIVORCE, general law and damage suits, prosecuted or adjusted, in satisfactory manner. Country correspondence and collections receive prompt attention. Unexceptional commercial and professional reference. Dun's Commercial Agency.

BOOKS.

BOOKS of all kinds bought, sold or exchanged. Call or send add. to Mills Book Store, 816 Pine.

REAL ESTATE WANTED.
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HOTEL WANTED—To rent, a centrally located hotel, with about 50 rooms. Ad. C 40, Post-Dispatch.

LOANS ON REAL ESTATE.
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5-Per-Cent Money
To loan—We have $1000, $2000, $3000, $4000, $5000, $6000, $7000, $8000, $9000, $10,000, $15,000, $20,000, $25,000 and $50,000 to loan at 5 per cent interest, on extra good security; St. Louis city improved real estate only.
KEELEY & CO., 1113 Chestnut st.

MONEY TO LOAN, LOWEST RATES
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608 Chestnut st.

ST. LOUIS MUTUAL HOUSE-BUILDING CO., No. 3—Office, 513 Walnut st. Samuel Simmons, Pres.; Hugo Koenig, Sec'y. GREAT REDUCTION OF INTEREST. This company loans money on St. Louis Real Estate in large and small sums at reduced interest WITH PRIVILEGE TO BORROWER TO MAKE PARTIAL PAYMENTS OF PRINCIPAL BEFORE MATURITY, IN AMOUNTS TO SUIT. Call at office.

FINANCIAL—Money to loan on real estate; any amount, at 5 per cent interest and 1 per cent commission. Ad. F 49, Post-Dispatch.

MONEY to loan; city security; any amount; lowest rates. J. H. Terry & Sons, 621 Chestnut st.

TO LET FOR BUSINESS PURPOSES.
14 Words or Less, 20 Cents.

Carleton Building,
SIXTH AND OLIVE.
Nearly all the offices in this elegant building are rented. If you desire an office, see me at once.
JOHN C. HALL, Agent.

FARMS FOR SALE.
14 Words or Less, 20 Cents.

FARM—For sale, 60-acre farm; five-room frame house; barn, stable; price $750. Write Wm. F. Holt, Festus, Mo.

FARM—For sale or trade, stock farm of 314½ acres; 100 acres in cultivation. Pearl Halbert, Steelville, Mo.

FARMS FOR RENT.
14 Words or Less, 20 Cents.

FARM—For rent, small farm; all improvements; near city; Olive st. Ludik, 405 Franklin av.

MONEY WANTED.
14 Words or Less, 20 Cents.

MONEY WANTED—Loan of $5500, 6 per cent, well secured on farming and mineral land; also, give share of mineral sold during loan. Ad. H 50, Post-Dispatch.

MEDICAL.
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FEMALE BEANS, great monthly regulator for women; not a single failure; most stubborn cases relieved in few days. Wolff-Wilson, 324 Washington av., Republic Pharmacy, 716 Olive st.

LADIES—Chichester's English Pennyroyal Pills are the best. Safe, reliable. Take no other. Send 4c stamp for particulars. Relief for Ladies" in letter by return mail. At druggists. Chichester Chemical Co., Philadelphia, Pa.

QUICK CURE—For Lost Manhood, Weakness, Nervous Debility, Stricture, Varicocele, Impaired Memory, Results of Errors of Youth, Blood Poison, Disease of Kidneys, Bladder, etc., organs enlarged. Send 12 cents for free trial. Call or write. Dr. Ward, 1503 Washington av., St. Louis, Mo.

DR. BOHANNAN'S Vegetable Curative Positively cures seminal weakness, Lost Manhood, etc., the result of youthful errors and excesses, in two to seven weeks. Price $5; trial size $1. Dr. C. A. Bohannan, No. 622 Morgan st., St. Louis, Mo. Treatise and Confidential consultation FREE.

STUDENTS IN A PLAY

UNIVERSITY BOYS WILL PRESENT "THE BLACK ARROW."

AT FOURTEENTH ST. THEATER.

Member of the Faculty Has Turned Playwright and Adapted Robert Louis Stevenson's Novel.

Robert Louis Stevenson's "The Black Arrow" has been dramatized by a member of the faculty of the University of St. Louis, and will be presented by the students of that institution at the Fourteenth Street Theater, Wednesday and Thursday evenings. With the differences which a cast entirely of male characters has necessitated the story has been closely followed.

Edgar T. Lyons as Thor, a Court Fool.

None of Dick Shelton's thrilling adventures have been omitted. His wish to avenge his father's death is brought out more strongly than in the book, and is made the feature of the plot. The cast will be as follows:

Dick Shelton.....Edward M. Gilmore
Duke Richard of Gloucester.....James J. Walsh
Duke Harold of Shorely.....A. J. Lindsay
Sir Daniel Brackley.....Thomas F. Davis
Sir Oliver Groat, brother of Sir Daniel Theodore J. Schulte
Hal Erwin.....T. Clement Lonergan
Thor, a Spy and Court Fool.....Edgar J. Lyons
Master of Revels.....Joseph A. Herbers
Guy Estmere, Page of Duke Shorely Albert H. Donnewald
Ned Hearkins, Page to Duke Shorely Joseph P. Ghio
Nat Evelyn, Page to Sir Hawksley.....John Casey
Nick Sinel, Page to Lord of Erkiew Ralph Kinsella
Wil Brandon, Page to Lord of Lincester Joseph S. Moriarty
Kit Marston, Squire of Duke Shorely Arthur J. Broderick
Morton, Messenger from Shorely.. Andrew L. Ghio
Men of Sir Daniel.....Theodore C. Dunewald
Swinton.....Raymond J. Byrne
Geffe.....Victor A. Gummersbach
Dickson.....Felix A. Golgon
Gaston.....George H. Stadel
Benet.....Hermann A. Meier

Edward M. Gilmore as Dick Shelton.

Geoffrey.....James A. Storm
Carter.....Charles A. Neumann
Reuver.....Edward D. Sweeney
Barton, Sentinel of Sir Daniel Abysius D. Chamberlain
Condall, a Peasant of Retly.....David F. Hickey
Host of Kettley Inn.....Thomas A. McMahon
Elias Duckworth, Master of the Black Arrow Christopher E. Coyne
Men of Black Arrow
Will Lawless.....Joseph E. Burke
Greenleave.....John F. Spencer
Bickerton.....Henry I. Hellmuth
Throughton.....Joseph M. Cummins
Elenwood.....Frank White
Tom Cuckow.....Daniel Dillon
Huntley, Sentinel.....Alphonse L. Schwitalla
Captain of Lancers.....Gerald Barney

Much care has been given the performance, rehearsals having been held for the last six months. In addition to the large cast of principals, there will be 90 auxiliaries, including a chorus of boys, under the direction of Prof. A. F. Frumwerker, musical director of the university. Vocal selections by Daniel Dillon and a court dance by Albert Dodenwald will be introduced as special numbers.

Wednesday's performance will be given for the benefit of the library. The proceeds Thursday evening will be turned over to the Athletic Association of the university.

MAY AGREE TO CLOSE SUNDAYS

Saloonkeepers Will Meet the Ministers of St. Joseph in a Friendly Conference.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Feb. 20.—The Protestant preachers of St. Joseph have arranged for a joint meeting of saloonkeepers and preachers at the Commercial Club Friday afternoon. The Right Rev. Bishop M. F. Burke of the Roman Catholic Diocese will preside. It is believed a general agreement to close the saloons Sundays will be the result.

NOTED ROUGH RIDER DEAD.

Wounds Received at San Juan Fatal to Sergeant Greenwood.

GALVESTON, Tex., Feb. 20.—William Whitney Greenwood, First Sergeant of Troop A, Roosevelt's Rough Riders, died Sunday in this city. His death was due to effects of four wounds received in the storming of San Juan Hill. Sergeant Greenwood was a friend and college mate of Col. Roosevelt. He was Sheriff of Yuma County, Ariz., when he joined the Rough Riders.

To Organize Democratic Club.

At 8 o'clock to-night there will be a meeting of the Democrats of the Twenty-seventh Ward at O'Connell's Hall, Marcus and Easton avenues, for the purpose of organizing a Ward Club. An invitation is extended to all Democrats of the ward.

LITTLE JOHN A. VIDOCQ

TRAPPED A LAD WHO WAS SUSPECTED OF A THEFT.

MRS. GANNON'S GLASSES GONE.

She Had Fed Jimmy Barry, and Locked Him in When He Came Back for Apples.

Mrs. John Gannon, who lives at 2817 Dickson street, applied for a warrant Tuesday charging Jimmy Barry, a homeless waif, with the theft of her $5 gold spectacles. The arrest of Jimmy was accomplished Monday through the strategy of 8-year-old John Gannon, who laid a cunning trap for the suspect. Jimmy is locked up in the Ninth District police station.

"I first saw the Barry boy last Friday," Mrs. Gannon told the prosecuting attorney. "He was carrying on the sidewalk in front of my house. I was making bread in the kitchen, and his hungry, pinched face excited my sympathy. I told John to invite him inside. He did so and the lad told a sad story that set me cooking straight off.

"While the boy waited for his meal, he amused my children with some tricks picked from the streets. But he stayed close to the big baseburner, for warmth I then thought, but now I fear the glitter of my gold glasses on the mantel had caught his eye. When the coffee was hot and the boy started on his meal it did my heart good to see him eat.

"After he had gone, I missed my glasses. The children hunted the house for them, but they could not be found. Johnny remembered seeing the waif playing near the mantel. He went out to find the boy. As soon as Jimmy saw my son he fled. I complained to the police, but they failed to arrest the boy.

"Monday John again saw Jimmy playing in our neighborhood. Then John showed his sagacity. He approached the Barry boy and said 'mamma's got some nice apples for you. Let's go over to the house an' get 'em.'

"Jimmie swallowed the bait. We locked him in the kitchen and sent for a policeman."

Acting Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Maurer said he wanted to see both boys before he issued a warrant against Jimmy.

Little Barry said he lived at 2241 Dickson street, in the rear. The police say he has no home, just lives on the streets, begging for nickles. He is a bright-faced kid for nickles. He is a bright-faced youngster and says he has never stolen in his life.

ATHEIST GETS INTO TROUBLE.

Compelled to Send His Boy to School After Removing Him Because of References to God by Teachers.

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—By arrest and prosecution of Carl S. Bittner, a club steward, his son, aged 12, was yesterday compelled to return to school, from which he was taken by his father, an atheist, because the teachers persisted in reference to God in various exercises. The boy testified that he had been ordered by his father to never write or speak the name of God, and he had obeyed his parent in preference to the dictates of his teachers. Bittner made a speech to the court in defense of his right to prevent his child from being taught "nonsensical ideas" about things that did not exist," but the court declared that if he did not send the boy to school regularly he would order him imprisoned.

Wanted, two experienced elevator boys, hydraulic system; references required. Apply at once to superintendent, Grand-Leader.

GALLOWAY ORGAN RECITAL.

Free Concert To-Night at Grand Avenue Presbyterian Church.

Musical folk are interested in the organ recital which Mr. Charles Galloway will give at 8:30 o'clock this evening in the Grand Avenue Presbyterian Church.

The first number on the programme is the Bach prelude and fugue in A minor, which Mr. Galloway plays superbly. This will be followed by Boellmann's "Suite Gothique" and this in turn by a series of soprano solos by Mrs. James Lawrence Blair, who will assist Mr. Galloway. The fourth number is the beautiful sixth sonata of Mendelssohn and after this will come several other classics which Mr. Galloway played at a famous Guilmant recital in Paris.

No admission fee will be charged.

JUDGMENT FOR MR. THAW.

Sued Maj. Rainwater for Compensation for Services.

A jury in Judge Zachritz's court returned a verdict for $100 Tuesday for the plaintiff in the case of Charles Thaw against Maj. C. C. Rainwater.

The plaintiff sued for $250, claiming that was the value of services he rendered the defendant in compromising a judgment held against him by Simon L. Boogher. The defendant maintained that the services were rendered as a friendly act to both him and Mr. Boogher.

BROKE A LEG ON THE BRIDGE.

Bante Fell Off His Seat and a Wagon Passed Over Him.

William Bante, 23 years old, a teamster living at 1919 North Thirteenth street, fell from his wagon on the Eads Bridge Tuesday morning. The wagon passed over his lower limbs. His right leg was broken.

He was sent to the City Dispensary, where the leg was set by Dr. Vogel, and from there he was sent to his home.

Bante was driving a coal wagon for George Allen of 1329 North First street when the accident occurred.

CLAYTON SUED FOR DIVORCE.

Wife of the New York Congressman Charges Cruelty.

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—Congressman Bertram C. Clayton has been sued by his wife for a separation on grounds of cruelty and non-support. Mrs. Clayton was Miss Louise M. Brasher, daughter of William H. Brasher, a retired millionaire oil-cloth manufacturer. They were married 12 years ago when the Congressman was Capt. Clayton, United States Army.

REIDT INQUEST DELAYED.

Coroner Lloyd Will Probe This Mysterious Crime.

The inquest on the body of Joseph Reidt, who was fatally shot on Feb. 11, was begun Tuesday, but was laid over before it was concluded.

Fred Reidt, brother of the deceased and John Kelly, are held under suspicion of being responsible for the death. Joseph Reidt lived at 2337 Malden Lane.

FIRE IN A PIPE FOUNDRY.

The Blackmer Plant Was Damaged Over $15,000.

Fire did $15,000 damage in the engine room of the Blackmer & Post Pipe Co.'s works at Tyler and Arsenal at 1 o'clock Tuesday morning. The fire is supposed to have originated from sparks from the stack.

His Own Opinion.

"A great many men are never taken at their true value," said the philosopher.

"That's right," answered Senator Sorghum. "I have seen the littlest men in the Legislature hold out successfully for the biggest figures."

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In St. Louis and Out of St. Louis Can Take Advantage of the $4.00 Offer, Provided They Begin Before March 1---but One Week Remains.

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If you cannot visit the office, write for consultation sheet and diagnosis blank.

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DISMISSED BY REIFSNIDER

Proceedings Against Arthur Rozelle Withdrawn at the Request of the Plaintiff.

The suit of Calvin K. Reifsnider, treasurer of the State Central Committee of the People's party of Missouri, against Arthur Rozelle, who formerly held that office, was dismissed by the plaintiff Tuesday in Judge Klein's court.

The plaintiff claimed that the defendant, while treasurer of the committee, did not properly account for certain sums of money paid to him for campaign purposes.

MRS. CAMMER MAY RECOVER.

Had Poured Coal Oil Upon Herself and Set It on Fire.

City Hospital physicians say that Mrs. Julia Cammer will recover from the serious burns she received Saturday in her attempt to commit suicide. While in her home at 218 Barry street she poured coal oil on her gown and set fire to it.

Her condition has been extremely critical and at first it was thought she was fatally burned. It was announced Tuesday that her improvement has been such in the last 24 hours as to warrant a statement that she will recover.

WAITING ON DIRECTORS.

Continental Tobacco Feeders Have Postponed a Strike.

The feeders employed in the Continental Tobacco Factory, who made a demand last Saturday for an increase of $1 per week in their wages, were still at work Tuesday morning, pending the decision of the Board of Directors.

This decision was promised not later than Wednesday.

NO MORE SMALL BEER BARRELS

Bill, Long Advocated by the Brewers, Passes the House.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—The House has passed the bill abolishing the smaller packages of beer—one-sixth and one-eighth barrels. The bill has been advocated by brewers in all parts of the country.

MRS. BECKER'S SUDDEN DEATH.

She Had Been a Resident of St. Louis for Forty-Three Years.

Mrs. Louise Becker, aged 81 years, died suddenly at the home of her son, William L. Becker, 4001 Delmar boulevard, late Monday afternoon. Her death was unexpected and came while members of the family were absent from the room.

Monday morning Mrs. Becker was in apparently good health for one of her years and occupied her place at the breakfast table. Shortly after breakfast she complained of indigestion. The family physician was called and in prescribing for her assured the family that Mrs. Becker was in no danger. He left instructions for medicine to be given her at 4:30 in the afternoon. Shortly before that hour Mrs. Becker cautioned a granddaughter not to forget to give her the medicine. The granddaughter was called away and a few moments later her mother went to the room and found that life had flown from the aged woman.

Mrs. Louise Becker was born in Switzerland and had been a resident of St. Louis since 1857. Her husband was a steamboat man and was killed near Memphis at the outbreak of the Civil War.

Mrs. Becker never learned the particulars of her husband's death and sometime elapsed before the news was received by her.

Two sons survive her, William L. Becker, president of the Little & Becker Printing Co., and Benjamin F. Becker, secretary and treasurer of the same company. She was a devout member of the Lutheran Church of which Rev. Dr. Rhodes is pastor.

The funeral will be

CITY NEWS.

Crawford's

Second week of their Great White Fair Sale, that has set all St. Louis talking. We have passed all previous records in this sale. Our Grand Values and assortments demonstrate the superior attractions that dominate this sale.

HUNTING FOR A CANDIDATE

Republicans of the Ninth Congressional District Want Somebody to Beat Champ Clark.

In the Ninth Congressional District the Republicans are having trouble finding a candidate to oppose Champ Clark, the Democratic representative.

The district is normally Democratic by from 2800 to 3200 majority and in 1898 Clark was the only Missouri candidate for Congress who increased his majority. This is a condition which presents discouragement to Republican aspirants and it is necessary to offer the nomination to them "on a gold plate" in order to get them to consider it at all.

State Representative Aydelott of Warren County is now considering the advisability of becoming a candidate. Ex-Speaker Ben Russell of Crawford County is also considering the question and may conclude to make the race. Another receptive candidate is ex-Representative Clymer of Crawford County.

The Ninth District, with its big normal Democratic majority, was one of those which flopped to Republicanism in the landslide of 1894. Then as now the Republicans of the district offered the nomination to a number of candidates of varying ability and standing. Among those who were offered it and who refused because it seemed an utterly hopeless fight was William Bloebaum, then and now postmaster of St. Charles. Bloebaum's ambition had never soared so high as Congress, but when the nomination was offered to him he refused it because he thought he hadn't a ghost of a show to win. Prof. Treloar of Mexico was prevailed upon to run, and to the surprise of everybody was elected.

Then the half a dozen men to whom the nomination had been offered and who had refused it scornfully went out and hired somebody to kick them.

VALUE OF A GREAT EXPOSITION

Prof. Patrick Geddes' Address Before the Academy of Science.

Prof. Patrick Geddes, secretary of the International Association of Science, addressed the St. Louis Academy of Science Monday evening, taking for his subject "Educational Values of Expositions." There was an unusually large attendance. Prof. Geddes illustrated his remarks with maps, diagrams and drawings. Referring to the exposition soon to be held in Paris, Prof. Geddes said that while the plan of deriving greater educational value from the presentation of the relation of acts to ideas would be tried, and while he felt sure that the experiment would not be a failure, the International Association had been deprived of those facilities which were needed to insure the utmost possible success. Expositions have shown more clearly, Prof. Geddes said, that material and intellectual development go together. The world of ideas and the world of actions, he said, were being brought closer together. An exposition was not only a museum of the world's acts, but a presentation of its ideas, where one could not only take stock of the world's works, but a general view of the world's culture.

Ex-Gov. Francis followed Prof. Geddes on the subject of expositions, making a brief address, after which Prof. J. L. van Ornum of Washington University spoke on "The Sanitary Cleaning of a Great City, as exemplified by Clenfuegos."

A Household Necessity.

Nearly 60 years ago Dr. Radway first prepared Radway's Ready Relief for the use of practicing physicians. The general public soon learned the value of this remedy, and it early attained wide popularity. Its name is now among the most familiar of household words. After the reputation of the Ready Relief had become established, Dr. Radway, recognizing the universal demand for a reliable cathartic, began the preparation and sale of Radway's Regulating Pills. Radway's Sarsaparilla Resolvent soon followed, and the phenomenal success of these remedies was the wonder of the day. So popular have these preparations become that their sale has extended to all parts of the world, and scarcely a ship sails from New York, Boston, San Francisco, or any other American port, without including in its cargo a supply of these medicines. Prepared by Radway & Co., 55 Elm street, New York.

TO FINISH Y. M. C. A. BUILDING.

Systematic Effort Begun to Collect a Fund of $16,000.

A systematic effort is being made to collect enough money to complete the Y. M. C. A. Building at Grand and Franklin avenues. It is believed that $16,000 will suffice to complete the building as originally planned. The following committee has undertaken to secure the necessary funds: Daniel S. Holmes, George M. Wright, James L. Blair, Festus J. Wade, E. R. Hoyt, R. W. Standleigh, Corwin H. Spencer, chairman; John D. Davis, secretary; L. D. Dozier, B. F. Hobart, John N. Bofinger, E. H. Semple, L. L. Prince, Charles Hodgman and George H. Morgan.

Church Anniversary.—The twenty-fifth anniversary of St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal Church will be celebrated Sunday, March 4. The sermon will be preached by Bishop E. R. Hendrix.

GRIEVANCE OF RAILROAD MEN.

President Ashley of the Wabash Has Arrived.

WILL CONFER WITH MR. RAMSEY

THIRTY DAYS' TIME LIMIT EXPIRES FRIDAY.

Labor Leaders Expected to Return to This City by Thursday Morning and Resume the Conferences.

The thirty-day period which the railway labor leaders agreed with the management of the Wabash Railroad Company should be passed for consideration of the grievances of its employes will expire Friday, and the various grievance committees are expected to return to St. Louis at that time to take definite action on the demand for the increase of wages.

O. D. Ashley of New York, president of the Wabash, arrived in the city Tuesday and is registered at the Southern Hotel. He came to look over the situation, it is said, and to confer with Manager Ramsey on the situation.

When Manager Ramsey took the stand that the wages the Wabash was paying its men were sufficient and that they should be satisfied, he was sustained by President Ashley. But but wishing to avoid trouble, agreed to take the demands of their employes under consideration.

Soon after the grievance committee adjourned to give the officials of the company time in which to give the necessary consideration. Manager Ramsey took a trip to New York to confer with President Ashley. Just what determination they reached will not be known until the representatives of the employes meet Friday.

Local laboring men think President Ashley's visit to St. Louis at this time indicates that he believes the position he and Mr. Ramsey have agreed to take may not be entirely satisfactory to the employes, and that a crisis may arise which will demand his immediate presence.

The difference between the Wabash officials and their laboring men first became serious at the beginning of the present year, when they were taken up by the leaders of the various branches of the railway service men, comprising engineers, firemen, conductors and trainmen. Grievance committees were appointed by each order and the national chiefs were selected to head them. They met in St. Louis Jan. 15. Among the prominent figures in the conference were: P. M. Arthur, Chief of Engineers; F. P. Sargent, Chief of Firemen; A. B. Garretson, Chief of Conductors, and H. D. Lee, Chief of Trainmen.

After a brief conference, the committees decided to make a demand on the Wabash for an increase of 10 per cent in wages and for the redress of several minor grievances the employes are said to have been entertaining for several months.

When the demands were presented to Manager Ramsey, he took the firm position that from his point of view there were no grievances, and that the Wabash was doing all for its employes that was reasonable. The committees were persistent, however, but Mr. Ramsey suddenly suspended negotiations for a week by leaving the city. But the labor leaders were not to be so easily shaken and they patiently waited for Mr. Ramsey's return, upon which they again presented their demands to him.

They insisted that they did not wish to be hasty and hoped he would at least give their demands a consideration. He assured them that, if he could be convinced the company was doing any wrong by its employes, he would willingly redress it. They suggested that he could not know that without a specific investigation of the situation, which he agreed to make. They then informed him they would leave the case in his hands until Feb. 23 and would adjourn to that date, which they did.

H. D. Lee, chief of the Order of Railway Trainmen, passed through St. Louis Saturday, on his way to Paris, Tex., where he will adjust some labor grievances before returning to St. Louis. He said he had no idea what Mr. Ramsey's answer to the committees would be. He declared, however, that if the demand of the employes should not be acceded to the committees would stand firm and would take a position that would force the company to redress the alleged wrongs. He qualified this attitude a little by a statement that the committees would not force Mr. Ramsey to answer them at the meeting, if he will assure them that he had not had sufficient time in which his prosecute a thorough investigation into the situation. He maintained that, while the employes would not recede materially from their position, they would grant Mr. Ramsey all the time he needed to understand their demands.

Manager Ramsey has said repeatedly that his road has been selected by railway labor organizations as a lever to be used in forcing an advance in wages on all lines, and he thinks what the Wabash is experiencing will be thrust upon every other company during the present year. He insists that his road is paying as high wages as any other and that there is no special reason why the Wabash should be selected to bear the brunt of the present fight for higher wages. He claims that, if minor grievances exist, they are not of enough importance to call for such a demonstration as has been made against the Wabash. He insists that wages on all the roads are as high as the companies can pay and thinks it unjust for the employes to demand more.

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Pictures, Molding, Frames and Art Wares, at Fire Sale Prices.

Bargain Tables have also been spread on our big third floor—many of our depts. are here represented. Don't leave the store to-morrow till you've also visited this section.

MR. HAMMOND ON THE BOERS.

View of the War From the Standpoint of the Outlanders.

John Hays Hammond, the American who was a member of Dr. Jameson's raiding party and was captured by the Boers, presented the British side of the controversy which led to the Boer-British war, at the University Club Monday night. It might be more accurate to say he presented the side of the Outlanders, whom Britain ostensibly is attempting to protect in this war with the Boers.

He began by declaring that he was an American and wished to be understood as speaking from an American standpoint.

He explained the certain conditions which prevailed in the Transvaal prior to the Jameson raid, and sought to justify the raid by these conditions.

It was planned that Jameson should not make the raid until the word was given by Mr. Hammond, but Jameson became impatient and did not wait. The result was disastrous. Mr. Hammond submitted that since the Outlanders had made the Transvaal Government rich by their enterprise, owned one-half the land, and paid nine-tenths of the taxes, they should be given some voice in the government.

Mr. Hammond's address was in the form of a smoke-talk, wholly informal. He laid aside the manuscript he had prepared and spoke only from his wealth of knowledge and experience.

ROCK CHURCH CARNIVAL OPEN.

School Hall Adjoining St. Alphonsus' a Scene of Brilliancy.

The Rock Church Carnival was opened Monday night in the School Hall adjoining St. Alphonsus' Church at Grand and Cook avenues. The big room has been transformed by the erection of booths, each with its own peculiar scheme of decoration and each presided over by handsome young women of the parish. All of the attendants were clothed in fancy costumes.

In such guise the fair charmers who had chances to sell were even more persistent than usual, as they were secure against recognition by those from whom they solicited funds.

Among those who took part in last night's musical programme were: Misses Ella Readey, Dora Yenker, M. McLeod, Adele Noonan, Mabel Hogan and Lorette Hawe, and Messrs. John McKean, R. A. Bacon and W. J. McGrade.

The carnival will continue until Friday night.

HE TALKED TO THEM OF CHINA.

Rev. Dr. Walter R. Lambuth of Nashville at a Meeting.

The Southern Methodist ministers who were in session Monday afternoon listened to a most entertaining talk by Rev. Dr. Walter R. Lambuth of Nashville, Tenn., one of the secretaries of the Missionary Board of the Southern Methodist Church.

Dr. Lambuth was in St. Louis only for the day, as the guest of Mr. R. M. Scruggs. He left in the evening for his home in Nashville. The doctor has just returned from a visit to the Orient, and he talked in an interesting way of his impressions on Corea, China, Japan and Hawaiian Islands. As Dr. Lambuth was born in China, the son of a missionary, and lived 20 years in that country, he is familiar with the Eastern question. His brother and sister are stu.. doing mission work among the Chinese.

Accompanying Dr. Lambuth to Nashville are two young Chinamen who will attend Vanderbilt University. They are the grandsons of Li Hung Chang.

ANTI-WINEROOM CRUSADE.

Large Meeting Held at Cote Brilliante Presbyterian Church.

A meeting was held under the auspices of the antiwineroom crusade Monday night at Cote Brilliante Presbyterian Church, corner of Marcus and Labadie avenue. Alexander Fyfe presided.

There were several speeches in which the evils of the winerooms were pointed out. The audience voted to support the efforts of the crusaders, and a collection was taken up for the expense fund. It was announced that meetings of similar character would be held in various parts of the city.

BEST OPERA OF THE SEASON

"Aida," Superbly Staged With the Leading Principals of the Castle Square Co. Now at Music Hall.

The fact that the title role of Aide was sung by the sweet soprano, Yvonne de Treville, seconded by the bell-toned tenor, Sheehan, in a cast strengthened by Mary Link, Hinshaw, Clarke and Mertens, shows on its face that the presentation at Music Hall Monday night was red-lettered on the calliendar of the season's opera. Aida is grand opera, and gives the principals heavy work from start to finish. There are no delicate, restful arias, but high pitch emotional expression all through the score. Tiere is something barbaric in the superneous bursts of music, something in keeping with the rude passions of hate and love in primitive man and also in harmony with the pageantry of the representation. One wonders how Treville draws from her lithe figure such a power of music; indeed, a heavier soprano is needed for the part, but she never fails in sending her high, pure notes thrilling clear above the din of the chorus and blare of the orchestra. Once or twice a slight tremulousness in the voice after these heroic efforts for effect, showed what a strain had been put upon her. Sheehan hardly needs words of praise. He stands first among the tenors of his troupe and first with his audience. Last night a racking cough seized him between songs but only a slight hoarseness was perceptible in his splendid vocalism. He made in voice and figure a perfect Rhadames. Mary Linck is dramatic, perhaps she is not sufficiently sensitive, in her interpretation of her role, to the difference that exists between a daughter of a king, the house of Pharo and the wandering gypsy queen of lyric fame; but she uses her voice very effectively at times and her long, almond eyes seem made to roll in the visage of an Amneris. Hinshaw, as King, looked like a De Reske. His gigantic figure swathed in robes of state, and head coiffed in an immense turban caused him to swell out of all proportions to the rest of humanity. One felt that he would cry, "Fi! Fy! Fo Fum!" But that which makes the opera unique is the result of the efforts of the stage management. Aida should be put on for spectacular effect, with rude magnificence and lavish color. This has been done under the direction of Mr. Savage and his vigorous aides. The scene in the Temple of Vulcan is a triumph of simulative art. The impassive and hideous effigy of the god, towering under the high arcades of the temple, the flaming urns, the harping priestesses, show in every detail the execution of the refinement of care. Of course, the triumphal entry into Thebes is the crowning show. Enter Egyptian soldiers playing on brazen instruments, clad in coats of mail; enter flower girls in tinsel tunics, enter musicians, enter priests clad in red and white, enter trumpeters, enter King and Princess, their trains borne by grinning little black slaves; enter dusky maidens waiving palm leaves, more trumpeters, symbol bearers, sacred effigies borne on floats, guardsmen, and at last the long looked for Rhadames. The Irish Egyptian comes upon the scene on a platform borne aloft by stalwart Ethiopians and under a canopy of cloth of gold. The American sense of the ridiculous is tickled by the sight of this child of Erin with the imperturbable calm of the sphnix stamped on his brow. One is sure that his desire to laugh is only checked by the wholesome dread of an airiel chute over the footlights.

In acting all the artists seemed inspired by the spirit of their environments and there was something in their woodeny attitudes that suggested the familiar figures scratched on ancient pottery. Crowds filled Music Hall last night, and crowds will doubtless fill it every night this week. It is one of the "hits" and as a varied evening's entertainment and a musical treat has not been surpassed this season.

Art? I tried art, and lost a couple of fortunes in "Rob Roy" and "Brian Boru." I put $25,000 into this show, and made it all back before it left Chicago. I'm a velvet now.

I offered Pat Short $10,000 for the houses this week, and he wouldn't take it. He thought if it was a gamble for me, it was for him.

I don't care what the papers say of it. Suppose it is rot, the people want to see it. If it's jumped on, they may stay away the first part of the week, but we'll win out in the end. This is a good taling, and we know it.

Extracts from a chat with Fred C. Whitney, proprietor of "Quo Vadis," anent it and its purpose.

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Perhaps, in the few words quoted above, one may catch the whole spirit and purport of this play, "Quo Vadis," which packed the Olympic last night. There are those who are willing, even in this day, to prate of "art for art's sake." They ought to talk with Mr. Whitney for about five minutes; they would learn some things. There are others who verily believe this, the last attempt to prostitute the Christian religion and its most sacred times and emblems to commercial uses, is done with true heart and earnest zeal for the welfare of the believers, and who think clergymen and ministers should encourage their followers to go to see this "sacred" play. They could have a few ideals shattered in a very short while, by this same Mr. Whitney.

In fine, this "Quo Vadis" is put on with the idea of playing to the feelings and twisting the heart-strings of the devout for the benefit of the box-office, and Mr. Whitney is so sure that it will accomplish its purpose here, as it has elsewhere, that he sneers at the people whose duty it is to tell the truth about his play. And he gambles on its success—perhaps in the most artistic way of a Christian gentleman, but he gambles, nevertheless, as his offer to Mr. Short betokens.

As a matter of fact, there is little reason, Christian or otherwise, why one ready should see this drama. It is disconnected and sketchy. The theme is rent, and the religiosity is balderdash. There is only one real way to witness it: Go with eyes only for the stage pictures, for they are exquisite. Forget, if you can, that you are a Christian and let your ideas of devotion float out on the winds of the earth. Be a Pagan and smash creeds, gods, all that you hold sacred. Otherwise, your feeling will revolt at the sacrilege of the play, its rantings and mouthings of holy prayers, its desecration of worship.

Stanislaus Stange is credited with this version of the "Quo Vadis" book for stage purposes. He needs a little instruction in good English, if it is read as written; otherwise, some of the actors do. He certainly made the play with an ax, and he didn't wield it severely enough, for there is entirely too much of it—by hours. The acting of most of the cast is painfully amateurish, and even wooden, not to speak of being excessively melodramatic. The actors, in the main, must have been a job lot and they probably were, considering that the first production of the thing was given in that modern Porkopolis, Chicago. There are a few exceptions to this dead level: "Polly" Lyons as the beast, Nero, is excellent, and Arthur Forrest, as Petronius, did the star work of the evening. They were oases in a desert of masculine players, with Joseph Haworth as the mirage. But Lyons is a sterling Thespian of many years, and Forrest has had Jeffersonian training. Of the women, Roselle Knott was not in point (intended) Lygea. Alice Fischer did well as Poppea, but she shouldn't wear a French Empire gown; they didn't in Nero's time. Quite the hit of the night, however, was made by little Maud Fealy as Eunice; she was as good as she was beautiful, and she is only a child, at that. Pity some of the others were not children, to excuse their babyfied work.

Yet Mr. Whitney was right, in this, that he had the crowd with him. There have been fewer larger or more enthusiastic audiences in the Olympic this season than was there last night. And the sale already for the rest of the week threatens to rival that of Viola Allen—a singular coincidence, as she, too, had a canting sort of a play, in "The Christian." Is that what the Great American Public wants in its drama, after all?

Manager Billy Garen's friends packed Havlin's literally "from pit to dome" Monday night. The occasion was his benefit and the further attraction of seeing him on the stage in his sketch, "A Manager's Woes." After the regular performance of "A Grip of Steel," when all the villains had been artistically killed off, the "benefit" started. Mr. Garen first appeared and was given a hearty reception, and the gods vigorously applauded his histrionic efforts and his real mob scene. Following the sketch were turns at dancing, bag punching and cakewalking.

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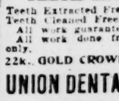

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What Mr. Walker Objects To In Parting His Name in the Middle.

Ex-Attorney-General R. F. Walker, attorney for the Merchants' Exchange, has addressed a letter to Mr. Charles M. Napton in reply to a letter enclosing a clipping from the Marshall Democrat-News containing a brief notice of "two former Attorney-Generals of Missouri, Benton G. Boone and R. Frank Walker." In his letter, Mr. Walker enters his protest in facetious style, closing with the following paragraph:

Take it home to yourself, how would you stomach, when you run for judge, being advertised to the easily misguided public as G. Mosse Napton. Let the editor take it home to himself, how would it fit his palate when he runs for Secretary of State to be placarded upon the gable ends and store windows of houses in country towns as R. Cloily Horne.

Think of "L. Vest Stephens" as Governor of Missouri, and "A. Makeway Deckery" as his successor. Try to work yourself up to the proper altitude of agony by imagining how sore of heart and stricken in spirit the present Governor must have felt when cruelly accused of fostering monopolies and trusts by signing a combined street railway bill, picture to yourself the righteous indignation which must have shook the stalwart frame of the next Governor of Missouri when the was accused by a hostile and unsympathetic press of being a gold Democrat, and then you can form a faint conception, a miniature Bunchin a knife-handle view, as it were, of my feelings when Dick Horne desecrated my patronymic in my own death notice.

Levee Mission Work.

The levee mission recently installed at No. 9 North Levee by Rev. A. Lichtenstein, under the auspices of the Jewish Christian Mission, is awaking interest. There is preaching every night. There are in connection fumigating rooms, bathrooms and dormitories for the deserving poor. A further beneficant feature which cannot be too highly commended is the fact that lodging and breakfast for an entire week can be had for 30 cents. As soon as the weather gets warmer a Sunday-school will be instituted and children formerly attending the Bethel Mission will be cordially welcomed here.

Dr. Furney and Wife Bankrupt.

Dr. Elliot E. Furney of the Jefferson Hospital and his wife, Nellie C. Furney, filed voluntary petitions in bankruptcy Monday. The liabilities of each, as set forth in the petitions, amount to over $100,000. Mrs. Furney claims her assets exceed her liabilities. Dr. Furney's assets are almost $20,000 below his liabilities. Most of Dr. Furney's liabilities were incurred jointly with his wife.

Fruit All Right Yet.—Reports from fruit growing sections of Missouri show that so far the fruit has not been damaged by recent cold weather.

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